Prudence Glynn on the return of the mini skirt, page 14

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owdown in orrowing eshopes for By Clive Borrell Crime Correspondent Mr Justice Cantley, who two weeks ago was told that he was at the top of an IRA death list, will pass sentence at the Central Criminal Court today on four Provisional IRA men who were found guilty of causing six

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: in the 10 of January have been vith £6,898m

If the figures were straight-forwardly extrapolated to the end of the year, that would suggest a total borrowing need for central government (that is everything except public cor-porations and local authorities) of £4.700m, compared with £10,426m forecast at the time of the last Budget.

A number of important factors make it very unlikely that events will turn out as favour-ably as that. One of the reasons for the better than expected performance is that revenue in the ten-month period is up 15 per cent on the previous year, compared with a 13 per cent forecast in the Budget.

Some of that is due to the bigher than expected rate of inflation, which has meant that both income tax and indirect taxes have been pushed up. But there is also likely to be an element of quicker than usual payment of income tax and a boost in indirect tax revenue because of the pre-Christmas spree to beat tax rises on drink and tobacco.

There has also been a change in the structure of public borrowing, as a result of which nationalized industries now rely considerably less on the Government to raise funds. Some of their money now comes from barrowing direct in capital markets abroad and in capital markets abroad and some from better cash flow.

Local authorities have also borrowed a great deal less from central government in recent months and may come in with a rush before the year end as they convert their short-term borrowings from the money market into medium-term debt. All these qualifications taken pushing the total central government borrowing need to around £7,000m, with something like another £2,000m having been borrowed by the public corporations and perhaps £1,000m being raised by local authorities. Even on the most pessimistic estimates, this would still be far better than

One big reason for this is that the cost of servicing the national debt has grown less fast than expected. Table, page 19

Siege trial four are convicted of

found guilty of causing six murders, several explosions and

but found guilty of man-slaughter.

The four defendants, who refused to plead to the 25 charges on the indictment, re-fused to leave their cells below the court yesterday as the jury of five women and seven men

of five women and seven men filed into court more than seven hours after they had retired to consider their verdicts.

When the jury returned the judge asked the dock officer if the prisoners wanted to be present. He replied: "They have been asked, my Lord, and they are still refusing to attend court."

The defendants were Martin Joseph O'Connell, Edward Butler, Henry Duggan and Hugh Doherty.

While the jury were in their locked room officers of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist squad searched the building for a bomb after a telephone threat had been received by the City of London Police. Nothing was found on the premises and the jury were not disturbed or told of the threat

of the threat.

After the jury had left the court they were shadowed by armed policemen to their homes and a permanent guard

homes and a permanent guard
has been placed on the home
of Mr Justice Cantley.
With the minimum of
formality last night he told a
crowded court: "I will pass
sentence in the morning." He
left after discharging the jury.
The defendants were found
guilty of the murders of Roser guilty of the murders of Roger Goad, Graham Ronald Tuck, Professor Gordon Hamilton-Fairley, the cancer expert, John Francis Batey, Audrey Edgson, and Ross McWhirter, the author and television personality. They were all found not guilty of the murder of Robert Anthony Lloyd at the Hilton botel, London, but guilty of his man-

slaughter. McWhirter, founder of the Guinness Book of Records, the Guinness Book of Records, was shot on the doorstep of his home. Professor Gordon Hamilton-Fairlie was killed by a car bomb near his home and Captain Goad, an army bomb disposal expert, was killed while attempting to defuse a bomb. The other three murder victims were killed by bombs in central London.

Mr O'Connell, Mr Butler, and

Mr O'Connell, Mr Butler, and | ment over the future of the Mr Duggan were found guilty but Mr Doherty not guilty of causing an explosion at 17 Wilton Street, Belgravia, the home of Mr Edward Heath, the former Prime Minister. The defendants were found not guilty of placing a bomb at the Charcoal Grill Restaurant, Hampstead, not guilty of placing a bomb at 139 Putney High Street, London, and not guilty of causing an explosion at the Caterham Arms, Caterham

his Budget.

What has still to be decided is whether the TUC should have a full-scale special congress, bringing together more than a thousand delegates, or a conference of thief officers of affiliated unions. The TUC must also decide whether the gathering should be held in advance of the Budget, which the unions expect in the last week of March, or whether it should be held afterwards to give a verdict on the Cabinet's pay policy. his Budget. ham, Surrey. Bomb squad alert, page 2

on Concorde in US

The British and French governments are to express concern to the United States at the delay in allowing Concorde

States at the delay in allowing contribute to operate into New York, the Prime Minister announced in a parliamentary written answer. Mr Callaghan said the two governments were considering what other actions would be appropriate

Texas service planned, page 9

Strasbourg: The European Court's hearing of Irissh allegations of torture against British soldiers and policemen ends in acrimony 2

Film man banned: Mr Jens Jorgen

Thorsen, the Dane who wants to make a film of the sex life of Jesus Christ,

Infant deafness: Better tests to identify

congenitally deaf infants were urged at

Customs threat: Customs officials may take industrial action over plans to cut

Moscow: General Grigorenko urges

has been refused entry to Britain

a London conference

their numbers

is expected to put its plans for the next stage of the pay policy the next stage of the pay policy before its grand council next Wednesday (Malcolum Brown writes). Confederation officials believe that if inflation is to be brought down to a manageable level, such as the CBFs target of a 5 per cent annual rate of inflation by mid-1978, the wages bill cannot be increased by more than 5 or 6 per cent. by more than 5 or 6 per cent. If the increase were to be

Return to a multi-subject examination like the former School Certificate is suggested in the Department of Education's discussion document

Mrs Williams opens 'great debate' on schools

Education Correspondent
A return to something like the old School Certificate for school-leavers is one of the proposals recommended in a document to be discussed at the regional conferences being organized by the Government over the next six weeks as part of the "great debate" on education.

education.

A document published by
the Department of Education
and Science yesterday suggests and Science yesterday suggeststhat, alonside a single-subject
examination, 16-year-olds might
be able to get a "group" certificate by achieving a minimum
standard in a number of subjects, possibly mathematics,
English, science, and a modern

language.

The old School Certificate was abolished in 1950 to make way for the General Certificate

TUC chiefs

in Treasury

pay policy

talks on new

TUC leaders yesterday began

the search for an acceptable

extension of the social contract to take effect when present

wage restraints expire in just

under six months. Their efforts

An indication that the way

ahead will not be easy came before the meeting of the TUC economic committee. Mr Frank

Chapple, the electricians' leader, was sceptical about the prospects for agreement on a

third year of voluntary pay curbs. "I do not think it is possible to work out a further period of pay restraint", he

Mr Len Murray, general secretary of the TUC, and Lord Allen of Fallowfield, chairman of the influential economic committee, which is

responsible for drawing up budgetary representations to the Government and working out the unions' pay attitudes, went to the Treasury yesterday afternoon for preliminary talks.

The TUC meeting came to no conclusions and adopted no hard and fast policies. A special meeting has been called for next Wednesday to debate further the draft of the TUC's 1977 Economic Review and to decide what form of consultation there is to be inside the labour movement over the future of the

Some union leaders, notably Mr Joseph Gormley, the mineworkers' president, want

social contract.

will be resumed next week.

of Education examinations. School Certificate candidates, one examination board said, had to sit one paper in English language and could choose between not fewer than five and not more than eight other subjects. The subjects chosen had to include one from a modern and classical language group, and one from a mathematics

and one from a mathematics and science group.

The document, Educating Our Children, also suggests that intending teachers should have mathematics and English at GCE O (Ordinary) level. At present many teachers, in primary schools particularly, have not passed mathematics at O level.

In April or May the Department of Education and Science will bring out a consultative containing new and conclusions on

for training teachers.

Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, told a conference in London that she hoped to bring out a White Paper containing her proposals for debate in Parliament before the summer recess.

Asked if the consultations could lead to a new Education Act, Mrs Williams said that would depend on how much would depend on now much agreement there was on what should be done. "We would be reluctant to bring out an Education Act on the content of the curriculum if there was fierce disagreement between the main political parties", she said.

The idea of a centrally con-trolled curriculum was "out",

she added. She believed there was a desire for a certain amount of guidance from the centre in schools. But there was a distinction between a centrally controlled curriculum and guidance to schoo what subjects were basic

"I am not planning behind 'the Shirley Williams smile' a takeover of the system", she

Mr Fred Jarvis, general secretary of the National Union of Teachers, said the document, although raising a host of important questions, had nothing to say on the key issue of resources for education. "The questions being posed grossly over-simplify some very complex educational problems", he added.

Russians

must get

permits

From Ronald Kershaw

On board HMS Cleopatra

200-mile fish

Mr Silkin, Minister of Agri-

culture, Fisheries and Food announced last night that he had signed an order under the Fisheries Limit. Act. 1976, which will require Soviet. East German and Polish trawlers to obtain licences to fish within

obtain licences to fish within Britain's 200-mile limit. While

expressing every confidence that the Russians, who have hitherto ignored all discussion

on licences, would comply with the new law, he said: "These

are British sovereign waters and anybody who breaks our law will be dealt with."

At a press conference on board HMS Cleopatra, the frigate in which he had been

visiting the North Sea fishing grounds, Mr Silkin said he

thought the Russians might start talks by the beginning of next week. Asked what would happen if the Russians con-

tinued to fish without licences,

Regional conferences and Document extracts, page 4



Mr Joe Haines: "One of nature's Roundheads."

Puritan with memories of dockland

By Peter Hennessy If Mr Joe Haines has a hero it is Oliver Cromwell. 'the former Downing Street press secretary, who this week has been shedding fascinating, 'disputed new light on the timbre of Sir Harold Wilson's ministries, is one of nature's Round-

Mr Haines has a fierce, working-class puritanism and a deep contempt for what Mr Jack Jones calls the "fripperies" of life. No doubt the accumulated resentments of working in close proximity to the wilful Lady Falkender played a part in his beautifully calibrated exposure of her ferocity and whims.

But the essential stimulus

for his confidence breaking on a spectacular scale so soon after the event was disgust at the show-business life style that grew up around the Prime Minister and his personal and political secretary. Those who witnessed the Falkender years

Mr Haines was more at era. He never forgot where became from, a poverty stricken home in Rotherhithe, in London's dockland, or the people whose interests the Labour

to take action against them; but I am absolutely certain they will come to the negotiating table." Earlier, on a 200-mile heli-copter trip, Mr Silkin saw about forty. Soviet trawlers fishing in an area that had been designated for six vessels on an EEC quota system. Mr Silkin said that the

number of Soviet ships to be licensed would be 27, with only 17 permitted to fish at don, includes a selection of paintings meant to any one time.

He said the new order would enable Soviet trawlers to be arrested and brought back to British ports.

Mr Silkin said that by the end of February he hoped to bring in conservation regulations that would stop the catch of pour whiting for eight months of the year; permit British fishing protection ves-sels to examine the gear of foreign trawlers as well as Bri-tish to ensure that they were carrying only one type of net; ban herring catching in the North Sea, and govern vessels that trawl for one fish but catch another species in the

Parliamentary report, page 6 was also killed.—Reuter.

in Number 10 speak of his revulsion from the champagne, rie film stars and the Rolls-Royces to and from the hane with the austerity asso-ciated with Attlee and Cripps in the postwar Labour govern-ments than with the brittle, febrile glitter of the Wilson

Party existed to serve. Soon after leaving

Soon after leaving Number 10 last April he gave a highly evocative television interview in which he described the roots of his devotion to the Labour Party. Without it there would have been no trips to the seaside for himself and his sisters, no pension increase or council house for his mother. It may have a touch of schmaltz about it for those cumstances but it is the key to the personality and politics of

It is pure Tommany, prewar American style, but without Continued on page 2, col 6

Queen of Jordan killed in crash

Amman, Feb 9.—Queen Alia, aged 28, third wife of King Husain of Jordan, was killed in a helicopter crash today, Jordan television announced.

She was returning to Amman in stormy weather from a visit to the southern Jordanian town of Tafileh. Dr Muhammad al-Bashir, the Health Minister,

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criminatory, incomplete in coverage, it would involve long shadow Home Secretary, who delay in implementation and would be very expensive". Nor they did not go to the heart of delay in implementation and would be very expensive". Nor would it give any certainty about future numbers.

Mr Rees told the House that

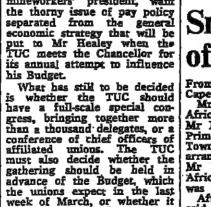
the Government would soon be taking action on marriages of convenience aimed solely at achieving entry to Britain or avoiding removal. He was also looking into ways of ensuring that all applicants for employment were entitled to take it and were not working here contrary to the conditions imposed on entry. He was investigating the extent of overstaying by people admitted temporarily. New immigration rules would e introduced shortly.

Although he welcomed those " limited measures", Mr White-

the matter and would not allay basic fears about the present scale of immigration and the uncertainty of future immigra-

The Home Secretary said that he was considering reform of our nationality law, but that was a complex matter. It had a bearing on immigration policy and a statement would be made later. The matter was such a minefield of difficulties and complexities that any legislation at this stage would make the devolution Bill look as though had only one clause. Committee's report, page 4

Parliamentary report, page 6 Leading article, page 17



CBI plans expected: The Confederation of British Industry

expressed as a pay norm that would suggest a figure of about 3 per cent. The difference between that and 6 per cent would be taken up by wage

Smith-Vorster discussion of next Rhodesia move

Canine corner: An Arts Council exhibition now

at the Institute of Contemporary Arts, in Lon-

From Our Correspondent Cape Town, Feb 9 Mr Vorster, the

appeal to dogs.

Mr Vorster, the South African Prime Minister, and Mr Ien Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, met in Cape Town this afternoon for talks arranged at Mr Smith's request. Mr P. W. Botha, the South African Minister of Defence,

Arrican Minister of Derence, was also present.

After the meeting Mr Vorster said he and Mr Smith had held "full and in depth discussions on the Rhodesia problem". He added: "Mr Smith informed me of his Government's determination of the statement of the said mination to explore further avenues for a settlement and further talks are envisaged."
Mr Vorster told reporters this referred to talks between the two Prime Ministers and their respective governments. Mr Smith will return to Salisbury

It was the first meeting of the two Prime Ministers since the breakdown of the latest The breakdown of the knest.

British initiative to get the Rhodesian settlement talks restarted. It took place against the background of a deteriorating security situation in Rhodesia and the massacre of missionaries at Musami.

Mr Smith, accompanied by Mr David Smith, his Deputy Prime Minister, and Mr Jack Gaylard, Secretary to the Cabinet, arrived here in a priwas no previous announcement of his trip.
The last time the two leaders

are known to have met was in September when Dr Kissinger, the American Secretary of State, visited Pretoria. Shortly afterwards Mr Smith announced his acceptance of the Kissinger plan for majority rule in Rhodesia in two years preceded by an interim government.
Our Salisbury Correspondent

writes: The talks were seen in some political quarters here as a move by Mr Smith to re-view the stalemated settlement issue and possibly to get Mr Vorster's approval of his plan to work toward an internal settlement with African nationalists willing to talk to him; particularly the United African National Council of Bishop Abel Muzorewa.

Mr Smith indicated in his

recent press conference that this move was uppermost in

Call to MPs, page 9 Sale of toxins

by the kilo questioned

the bacteria named were very dangerous toxins. may replace Fletcher in Bombay Test-Books, page 12
Paul Theroux reviews Howard Hughes:
The hidden years, by James Phelan;
Michael Hornsby on Mary Tylar's My
Years in an Indian Prison.
Arts, page 13
John Higgins on the British enclave in the
New York theatre; Irving Wardle and
Ned Chaillet at the theatre in London
and Cambridge

affair was outrageous.

The Ministry of Defence refused to answer questions about the offer yesterday because of the impending Com-

Porton offering material appar viruses and cells work. Much of the research is saimed at pro-ducing improved treatments for

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Whitehall row blights Anglo-French move Amoco licence hope

Amoco UK, the British offshoot of the American Standard Oil Co, in dispute with the Government over state participation in its North Sea field, failed to win any of the new exploration licences awarded by the Department of Energy yesterday. Licences covered 44 blocks in the North Sea, Irish Sea, and English Channel Page 19 11,000 idle at Leyland

British Leyland is facing its worst dis-ruption for months with three Midland car assembly plants at a standstill and a fourth being run down. More than 11,000 workers are either on strike or progressively laid off at plants throughout the country Page 19

England lose 2-0 The Netherlands, World Cup finalists in 1974, gave a breathtaking exhibition in beating England 2—0 before 90,000 people at Wembley. Peters, of Nijmegen, scored both goals in the first half Norman Fox, page 10 Norman Fox, page 10

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pay and less purchasing power

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Leader page, 17 Letters: On teaching gifted children, from B. H. Kemball-Cook, and others; the motivation of management, from Lord Hill An advertisement offering becteria for sale by the kilogram will be questioned in the Commons today.

of Luton
Leading articles: Czechoslovakia; Register
of immigrants' dependants
Features, pages 14 and 15
Ronald Butt on the media's cat and mouse
game with the Royal Family; Luise Nandy
on a government blindspot that puts children in danger; Michael Haffield on the
constitutional It appeared in the magazine Nature in November and offered six different strains of bacteria from the Porton Down research establishment. The Pharmaceutical Society of Great Sport, pages 10-11
Rowing: ARA appoint two coaches; Rugby
Union: France name unchanged side for
Twickenham international; Cricket: Miller
may replace Fletcher in Bombay Test
Rooks, pages 12 Britain said yesterday that all

Mr Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, will be asked about the offer by Mr Michael Shersby, Conservative MP for Hillingdon, Uxbridge, who described the advertisement as unbelievable. He said the whole

mons question. The advertisement, headed "Bacteria by the kilogram", was one of a series placed by ently intended for use in research on the way bacteria.

disease and genetic deficiency.

The advertisement offered

Bomb squad expects the IRA to hit back at any moment as jury convicts 'best unit'

Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist Provisional IRA as their best trained active service unit.

A senior officer said: "We expect them to hit back at any moment. They have already publicly stated that they plan a bombing campaign far worse than anything they have done before. London is to be the main target and the Underground railway system is likely to be their ultimate in terrorist activity. The letter bombs planted in the West End last week was just a warning of what is to come."

The arrest of the four men after their surrender at the Balcombe Street siege came as a serious blow to the morale of the IRA high command in Dublin, who realized that they had met their match in the Yard bomb squad, which was then supervised by Commander Roy Habershon. Mr Habershon has since been promoted and the squad is now led by Com-mander James Nevill.

alleging that:

1. On December 20, 1974, at Aldershot station, the defendants placed a device with intent to cause an explosion likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to

property : 2. On December 22, 1974, at 17

Wilton Street, London, they caused an explosion likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to

property;
3. On January 27, 1975, at 139
Putney High Street, they placed a
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property; 4. On January 27, 1975, at the Charco Grill, Heath Street, Hamp-stead, they placed and device with

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intent to cause an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 5. On August 27, 1975, at the Caterham Arms, Coulsdon Road, Caterham, Surrey, they caused an explosion likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to prop-erty:

erty; 6. On August 28, 1975, at 27 Oxford Street, London, they caused an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life or cause serious

injury to property;
7. On August 29, 1975, at 229
Kensington Church Street, they
murdered Roger Goad;
8. On August 30, 1975, at the
National Westminster Bank, High
Holborn, they unlawfully and
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legal section said last night. don to supervise a new phase We know who they are, what of bombings and shootings. they did and where they are.

As Harry Duezan he was but because of the Irish courts' reluctance to classify their acts as criminal we cannot extra-

"They claim their acts were of a political nature and so cannot be brought for trial here. These are cold-blooded murderers and they are getting away with it. Warrants are out for their arrests."

The man who led the team of four was Harry Duggan, aged 24, who became the IRA's aged 24, who became the IRA's "man who never was". So valuable was he to the Provisionals that they spread the rumour that he had been killed while "on active service". Even the police believed the story and told his father at Feelle, co Clare, that he had Feakle, co Clare, that he had been buried in a secret grave. Mr Henry Duggan, the ather, said: "He was a nice

life or Cause serious injury to property.

12. On October 9, 1975, they murdered Graham Ronald Tuck as a result of an explosion in Piccadilly, London;

13. On October 13, 1975, at Lockets Restaurant, Marsham Street, London, the yplaced a device with intent to cause an explosion of a serious likely the and apper life or

nature likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 14. On October 23, 1975, at Camp-den Hill Square, London, they murdered Gordon Hamilton

Fairley:
15. On October 29. 1975, at the Trattoria Fiori, South Audiey Street. London, they caused an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property:
16. On November 3, 1975, at Connaught Square, London, they caused an explosion likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property;

to property;
17. On November 9, 1975, at Wilton Street, London, they placed a device with intent to cause an explosion likely to endanger life or

cause serious injury to property; 18. On November 13, 1975, they murdered John Francis Batey as

Seven murders and West End

bombings among 25 charges

squad was placed on full alert are now being given refuge in of training. His commanders, last night after the conviction the republic and there is not a having "killed" him off. last night after the conviction the republic and there is not a having "killed" him off, at the Central Criminal Court damned thing we can do about changed his name to Michael of four men regarded by the it." a source close to the Yard Wilson and sent him to London to the court of the court

> As Harry Duggan he was already well known to both police and security forces as a close confident of the Provisional IRA high command, a man who had showed his determination when he helped Miss Rose Dugdale to steal paintings valued at £8m from the home of Sir Alfred Beit, in Wicklow, who plotted the kid-napping of Lord and Lady Donoughmore.

He was an expert at making and planting bombs. It was his Finger that squeezed the trig-ger on the gun that killed Mr Ross McWhirter at his home in

Beside him in the dock vesterday was his oldest collea-gue, Edward Burler, aged 28, a former council labourer, one of seven children who grew up in Castleconnell, co Limerick. His father was a private soldier in the Irish Army. quiet boy at home and never dier

20. On November 27, 1975, they murdered Alan Ross McWhirter; 21. On December 6, 1975, at Scotts Restaurant, Mount Street, London, they possessed firearms with intent to endanger life;

22. On December 6, 1975, at Rossmore Road, London, they made use of firearms with intent

23. On December 6, 1975, they assaulted and unlawfully imprisoned and detained John Henry Matthews and Shella Majorie Matthews at 228 Balcombe Street, London;

24. Retween July 1 1975 and

likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property;
25 Between July 1, 1975, and December 13, 1975, they conspired with others to discharge firearms with intent to endanger life.

All four were found guilty on 16 charges numbers 5, 7, 8, 11

16 charges, numbers 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 25. They were all found not guilty on charges 3, 4, 5, 10, and 15.

Mr O'Connell; Mr Butler and

Mr Duggan were found guilty but Mr Doherty not guilty on

"At least thirty men and two gave us any trouble." While "Eddie", as he was known or three women who have Mr Duggan was searching for taken part in acts of terrorism a grave, his "dead" son was in London and the provinces undergoing an intensive course pamphlets and then daubing propaganda pamphlets and then daubing pamphlets are the daubing pamphlets and then daubing pamphlets are the daubing pamphlets walls with anti-British slogans. He was regarded as a reliable "soldier" but not an imaginative member of the Provos.

Martin Joseph O'Connell, aged 25, from Kilkee, co Clare, the son of a schoolteacher, left home soon after leaving school to join the IRA in Cork and was transferred later to Dub-

The last of the "squad" was Hugh Doherty, aged 26, of Crossbank Road, Glasgow, whose family came from Lerterkenny, co Donegal. He was regarded as little more than "good infantry material" by the IRA but showed he could carry out orders efficiently and without question.

It was those four, assisted by support units based in the North and the Midlands, with North and the Midlands, with couriers arriving from Dublin every week with their £17-2-day wages, who from the sum-mer of 1974 until just before Christmas of the following year were responsible for kill-ing or planning to kill 40 people and injuring 600 others.

Life jail for possessing The four men faced 25 charges, eliging that: 9. On September 5, 1975, at the Hilton Hotel, London, they murdered Robert Anthony Lloyd; device with intent to cause an explosion likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 10. On September 22, 1975, at the likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 11. On September 22, 1975, at the likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 12. On December 22, 1974, at 17 13. On September 5, 1975, at the likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 14. On September 22, 1975, at the likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property; 15. On January 27, 1975, at 139 16. On September 5, 1975, at the likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property. 17. On September 22, 1975, at the likely to endanger life or cause serious injury to property. 18. On November 18, 1975, they murdered Audrey Edgson as a result of an explosion the previous day at Scotts Restaurant, Mount Street, London, they are result of an explosion the previous day at Scotts Restaurant, Mount Street, London, they murdered Audrey Edgson as a result of an explosion of a pature result of an explosion the previous day at Scotts Restaurant, Mount Street, London, they murdered Audrey Edgson as a result of an explosion the previous day at Scotts Restaurant, Mount Street, London, they caused an explosion of a pature result of an explosion at Walton's Restaurant, Walton Street, London, they are result of an explosion of a pature result of an explosion of a pature result of an explosion at Walton's Restaurant, Walton Street, London, they caused an explosion of a pature result of an explos

arms

A former member of the Ulster Defence Regiment was sentenced to life imprisonment in Belfast yesterday for posses sing arms and ammunition with intent to endanger life.

The judge, passing sentence on Samuel Cooley, of Altmore Green, Newtownabbey, said: You had a complete arsenal of weapons and ammunition. Those who provide a safe house and a safe means to keep these things and who do so with the intention of those weapons being used are just as guilty morally as those who use them." It is believed to be the first time that the maximum sen-tence of life imprisonment has been imposed for the single offence of possesing arms with intent to endanger life or to

The maximum sentence for possession in Northern Ireland was raised from 14 years to life imprisonment last March.

enable others to do so.

Mr Cooley, aged 54, pleaded guilty to having five pistols, five revolvers, a home-made sub-machine gun, a sawn-off shotgan, a rifle and more than three thousand bullets, con September 2 last year.

Strasbourg 'torture' hearing ends in acrimony From Christopher Walker Strasbourg

The first open hearing of the Irish Republic's extensive torture allegations against Britain ended on an acrimonious note last night after one of the sharpest public exchanges between ministers from the two governments heard for many years.

Throughout the day the deep distrust between the two countries was demonstrated in speeches from the opposing delegations, who will return to Strasbourg in the spring to continue the proceedings. In his final submission to

the 18 judges of the European Court of Human Rights, Mr Samuel Silkin, QC, the Attorney General, made a strong plea for the case to be shelved without further action. To pursue it, he said, would be a valueless exercise "which would not advance by a single inch the cause of human rights in Europe".

He rejected demands by the Irish that British soldiers and policemen who had been involved in allegations of torture and inhuman treatment from 1971 should be prosecuted. He also argued that the court had no power to order the British to institute such prosecutions, one of the main points of the Irish case.

The Airorney General made no effort to disguise the Government's anger at the Irish attempt to use the court to-force proceedings against British soldiers. He described the move as a highly unfortu-nate after-thought.

The question of possible action against soldiers and policemen has become the focal point of the case and it might have important reper-cussions in Northern Ireland. The British are known to feel that any attempt to enforce court action against soldiers or policemen might provoke violence from "loyalists".

Mr Silkin went out of his way to try to convince the court that soldiers serving in Ulster were subject to the normal judicial processes. He dis-closed that since February, 1972, a total of 218 members of the security forces in the pro-vince had been prosecuted for assault, 155 of whom had been convicted. No information was given about the penalties im-

The Government had no intention of punishing the men involved in the Irish allegations of torture by the "five interro-gation techniques" or in the separate cases of ill trestment against suspected IRA men be-cause investigations at the time of the events complained of had shown that there was insufficient evidence for prosecution or disciplinary proceedings against individuals.

The Attorney General also By Hugh Clayton argued that such evidence could Agricultural Correspondent not be obtained as a result of the hearings of the European Commission of Human Rights. Individual soldiers and police men who acted as witnesses had cooperated only on condition that they could speak freely without their words being used against them.

Mr Silkin's closing speech was a direct reply to a submis-sion earlier in the day by Mr Declan Costello, the Irish Attorney General, in which he had rejected the British suggestion that its public declaration to end sensory deprivation methods should have been sufficient to end the case.

Mr Costello said the Irish wanted the court to order the British to prosecute the soldiers and policemen involved. The assaults were nor mistakes, he said, but deliberate acts of

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Mr Neville Trotter, Conservative MP for Tynemouth, asked the Prime Minister whether he was satisfied with security arrangements for the protection of Cabinet documents. Mr Michael Brotherton, Conservative MP for Louth, demanded a statement about the honours system from Mr tended to consult in drawing issues up future honours lists. Mr

A written reply is expected today from Mr Foot, leader of the House, to a request from Mr Douglas Hoyle, Labour MP for Nelson and Colne, for the establishment of a select committee to inquire into patronage in the Prime Minis-ter's Office, with particular relevance to the honours list.

The spate of parliamentary concern has been prompted by serialization of Mr Haines's new book, The Politics of Power, in the Daily Mirror.

cia Williams, now Lady Fal-kender.

"He obviously did not agree with us, and I think it will take a little longer to see whether he was right or wrong", Lord Murray said. "We had gone through a fairly grim period since the general election. There were a lot of unfortunate press reports, and Callaghan. Three other ConserI just thought the time was
valive MPs and one Liberal inopportune. Lord Murray
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Like most puritans, Mr. Haines is not easy to live with. He is a good hater, whose tar-gets include Tories, diplomats, Treasury officials and some Westminster lobby correspondents. The feeling is returned with interest by the objects of his contempt.

He suspended lobby brief-ings in 1975 (they have since been restored by Mr Callag-han's Press Secretary, Mr Tom McCaffrey) on Sir Harold's instructions, while letting it be known, in typically blunt Haines fashion, that he did not believe in spoon-feeding journalists. The system of unattri-butable briefing en masse had,

By Hugh Clayton

time for several weeks in shops yesterday in the face of low

demand. Traders expect prices to rise by a fifth to a quarter in six weeks. Supplies are as

low as a year ago when prices rose to record levels at unprece-dented speed, but demand is

much lower because of the high proportion of damaged tubers.

Shoppers are turning to other

foods and processers are buying thousands of tons of instant mash and frozen chips from

North America after a home sea-

son of drought succeeded by autumn rain. The weather has produced a high proportion of

potatoes with damage that can-not be detected until they are

The Potato Marketing Board said in its weekly survey of farm and wholesale prices yes-terday: "Markets continue to

carry stocks of both home-

cut or cooked.

crease rather than diminish. What frighten the degree of communication Joe Haines was between government and character of his That Mr Haines had himself

been a member of the lobby for many years was an added irony. His tenure will probably be remembered as an all-time low point in the checkered his-tory of the Westminster lobby.

In fact, he saw his foremost role as a policy adviser to the Prime Minister. Speechwriting was his force, particularly at election time, and most of Sir Harold's declamations outside the House of Commons bore the Haines hallmark. Mr Haines has described

himself in public as a fighter. He lined up in number 10 with Dr Bernard Donoughue, senior policy adviser to the Prime Minister, against all-comers if need be. Both delighted in their reputation as "toughies" and would raise the stakes whenever crossed by the Treasury. Cabinet Office or Lady ury, Cabinet Office or Lady Falkender.

and still has, its critics, but it One fascinated observer of seemed a strange move for a the running battle in Downing man whose job it was to in- Street said of Lady Falkender.

and prices show further reduc-

bury's Smash instant mash made this season may be based

on North American potatoes. Mr

Harry Lavery, managing director of Cadbury Typhoo, said:
"There is a lot of stuff around on the ware (home) market that we would not entertain

Mr Jonathan Choat, director

prices will rise to 20p a pound

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Dornay Foods, producers of the rival Yeoman and Wonder-mash, has stopped processing of the Fresh Fruit and Vege-table Information Bureau, said: "March will be the criti-cal period, but I do not think of conspiracy, builder, of Main again. We are at about 12p or 13p a pond now. It will go up a bit, perhaps to 15p or 16p a pound and it may go even higher in some areas."

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Mr Rees bans 'Jesus' film director from Britain By John Groser

Mr Jens Jorgen Thorsen, the Danish director whose plan to make a film of the sex life of Jesus Christ raised a storm in Britain, was refused entry at Heathrow airport, yesterday morning. He flew back to Copenhagen last night.

The decision to bar him was taken by Mr Rees, Home Sec-retary "because his presence in Britain may lead to demonstrations and possible breaches of the peace and his presence in this country is not conducive to the public good ".

Mr Thorsen was detained by immigration officials at Heathrow for some hours and was told of the Home Office's exclusion division at about the time Mr Rees announced it to

Mr Thorsen "was carrying a

MP questions? Porton's sale of toxins continued from page 1

six particular strains of bacteria including Escherichia coli from which normally inhabits the human gut, to Haemophilus influenzae, some strains of which are involved in pneumonia. Prices ranged from £65 a kilogram to £150 for 100 grams of one strain. grams of one strain.
The Pharmaceutical Society

said: "It is to be hoped that government departments are extremely selective about to whom they are selling these. We are quite alarmed." The only useful reason for the products was research. Any laboratory that was going to use them for re-search could grow them for it

The society said it was ex-tremely puzzied about why and how the bacteria should be offered in quantity. "We think it is very dangerous and we question whether in a situation like today, with widespread ter-rorism, it is possible to ask the right kind of question and get safe answers from anyone

applying for these."
Porton Down has sold bacteria and other microbial products for research purposes for years. The more aggressive advertising comes after its change to a more civil than military

Bone-marrow boy improving Leslie Dewhurst, aged 11, was

allowed out of his isolation tent yesterday for the first time since the bone-marrow trans-fusion on January 15 from his brother, Peter, aged nine. Hammersmith Hospital said that Leslie, who came with his family from New Zealand for the operation, is on the way



arrived." the Commons.

In the Commons Mr Rees
A Home Office statement said said Mr Thorsen could appeal
Mr Thorsen "was carrying a against his exclusion

copy of a film script on the sex life of Jesus when he

Social contract under fire from public employees

By Our Labour Staff Demands for a return to free collective bargaining and for an confective pargaining and for an end to the social contract will be made at the national con-ference of the National Union of Public Employees (Nupe) in

May.

Many of the 44 resolutions on wages policy and the social contract accuse the Government of failing to keep its side of the bargain by allowing unemployment to rise and living ployment to rise and living standards to fall. They reflect growing frustration in the union movement which will make it difficult for the TUC to agree to a third round of pay restraint when the present policy ends in August.

According to Basingstoke No 2 branch, the economic policies of the Government have increased unemployment, failed to halt inflation and worsened the lot of the lower-paid worker". The branch wants Nupe "to withdraw from the social contract and declare its complete opposition to the present economic policies of the Government".

Talks seek end

to London

postal strike

By Our Labour Staff

Union leaders and members

of the Post Office management met last night to try to resolve the industrial action by post-men which has halted mail de-

Whitechapel sorting office have

been on strike in protest at

plans to recruit extra staff and reschedule work to cut over-

Some resolutions suggest detailed programmes on wages, hours and conditions, which the branches submitting them want adopted as union objectives in place of the social con-Proposals to attack low pay

through a minimum wage, rang-ing from £45 to £60 a week are made; other resolutions call for pay increases awarded under phases one and two of the social contract to be consolidated into basic rates. There are 16 resolutions on cuts in public expenditure. Many declare that the union's

campaign against the cuts should be stiffened. Chelmsford branch states "Should the present or any future government introduce further public spending cuts the executive is to call a total strike of membership."

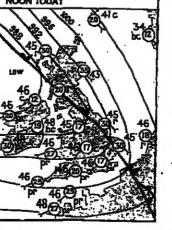
Over the next four months the union plans to stage "days of against the cuts which will involve strikes, working to rule; demonstrations and the circulation of leaflets.

Man dies, two injured in Luton air crash

A man was killed and two were seriously injured when their light aircraft crashed into field near Luton airport last night. They were trapped for about an hour in the wreckage of the single-engine plane. The Piper Aztec overshot the runway in mist and drizzle.

liveries in a large area of east London. More than 350 workers at the Control tower staff lost radio contact with the pilot of the Piper a few seconds before it artempted to touch down. The pilot fried to regain height but

Weather forecast and recordings



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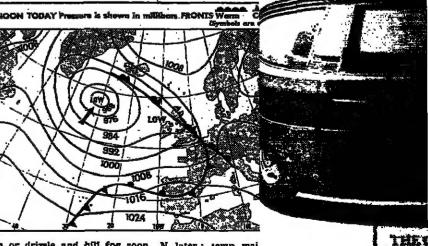
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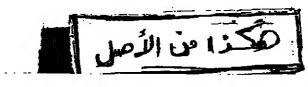
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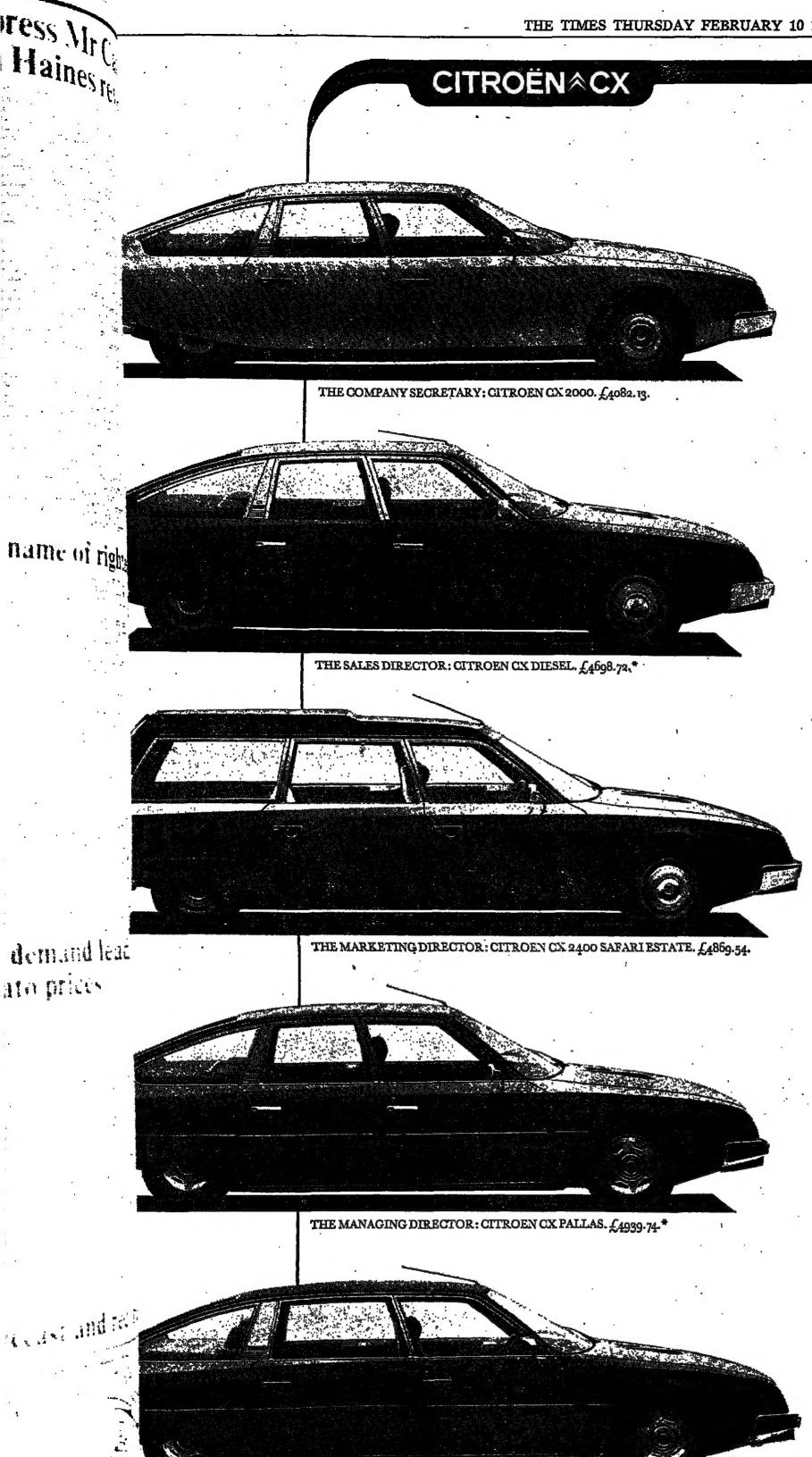


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Ministers foreshadow priority aid for inner cities at expense of new towns and development areas

From John Young Planning Reporter Bristol

Far-reaching changes in government spending, intended to reverse the decline of inner cities, were foreshadowed yesterday by Mr Shore, Secretary of State for the Environment and by Mr Oakes, Minister of State at the Department of Education and Science.

But Mr Shore made clear that the availability of extra funds to fight unemployment, social deprivation and environmental decay would depend upon new forms of partnership between central and local government. That might mean that councils in large conurbations would have to surrender some of their autonomy over how money was

spent bility of legislarion to enable the Government to earmark grants for specific educational purposes, such as projects for school-leavers, nursery schools and experimental schemes. At present it had little control over educational budgets and would need to know that any additional resources were chan-nelled to the purposes intended.

The two ministers were speaking at a "Save our Cities" conference sponsored jointly by The Sunday Times and the Gulbenkian Founda-

Both in his speech and at a press conference afterwards Mr Shore seemed almost deliberately opaque. But he left little doubt that, subject to their

Many clergymen are finding it

almost impossible to make ends

meet, according to a report pub-

lished today by the Low Pay Unit. In some cases the clergy's

children are not being fed and

behalf of the Association of the Clergy, and is based on infor-

mation received from members of the association and other

clergymen who replied to an

advertisement in the church

The report says the pay scale of the Church of England for

The report was prepared on

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expense of the new towns and development areas and quite possibly at that of other

government departments.

the Government What evidently has in mind is a collection of subregional offices which would coordinate govern-ment and local authority programmes and make some collective sense of the present hotch-potch of urban aid projects. More information will be forthcoming in a Green Paper expected within the ext two to three months, outlining the proposals of the special Cabinet committee established under

Mr Shore last year. He said yesterday: " We cannot simply turn our faces away from the ancient fabric of the cities and leave them like some Wild West ghost town to moulder away." The con-sequence would be mounting social bitterness, an increasing sense of alienation, worsenig crime ad vandalism ad, in some areas, racial tension.

It would in any event be very difficult to pursue a policy of letting areas die. The inhabitants of those doomed areas would not be willing to accept the consequences, and the land resources of the nation were not so limitless that existing urban areas could be run down to dereliction, and agricultural urban development on an even land taken for housing and

bigger scale.
On employment Mr Shore

Clergy 'face financial struggle'

cooperation, selected inner talked of the possibility of in-cities will be given absolute dustrial improvement areas, priority, almost certainly at the analogous to housin gimprovement areas, enabling old premises to be converted and

new factories to be built m replace obsolete plants. Intraregional policies were needed to direct development into the cities, and local authorities particularly in the South and the Midlands must revise their attitudes.

On housing, he hinted that councils should follow Liverpool's example in making cheap accommodation available for purchase. For its part the Government would concentrate on rehabilitation rather than construction.

The reshaping of central government activities should be accompanied by close cooperation with local authorities. To achieve that, he proposed the establishment of partnership arrangements and observed that the provision of funds might be linked to such arrangements.

He suggested that agencies might work with local govern-ment on industrial develor-ment and important redevelor-ment projects. But he would not impose a system without council consent.

Mr Oakes said it was ludisuffer high employment while they sucked in skilled and educated commuters from surrounding regions. "The decaying inner cities are Britain's

audiology and education of the deaf at Manchester University, was critical of the National Health Service, blaming admin-istrative difficulties caused by NHS reorganization for the decline in the infant screening programme. He said: "The medical and allied professions do not take sufficient notice of the mother's opinion about the state of her baby's hearing. I have found that if a mother says her new baby is deaf she is invariably

that in due course this would

become possible. In the mean-

aids was being improved.

But Professor Taylor, who

right."

us to
There was also an urgent need help. for an improvement in expert guidance for the parents of deaf children. "Given an early diagnosis and expert parent guidance, we would expect that by the time the child has



Mr Callaghan's address at yesterday's conference on the difficulties of deaf people being relayed to guests by a lipspeaker and a manual interpreter.

not a matter of economics, because we need only about 60 trained parent-guidance specialists in the country to enable to give the very necessary

He also urged that action should be taken to eliminate the German-measles virus, which can cause deafness in the unborn child. "Congenital deafness from German measles is reached school age he has a often a much more complex firm grip on spoken language". Professor Taylor said. "It is found in the children whose

he said. "The former child-ren often have multiple disorders and the virus remains active in their tissues after birth and makes caring for them difficult." But, he said, only half the

number of young girls for whom vaccination against the virus is available take up the offer, and the vaccination programme is going slowly. He urged the Government to speed it.

deafness has a genetic basis", be said. "The former childbecome.
It concludes that present over-

"would serve little practical A compulsory re purpose".

People who might in due in the immigration

Voluntary dependa whitels register ruled out

Home Affairs Correspondent A voluntary register of de-pendants of settled immigrants, pendants of settled immigrants, years in approved a so that Britain could judge could, along with future commitments, would not be included. But years according to a second seco work, according to a parliamen-tary group that has examined the scheme. A compulsory register, which might do the job, would run into humanitarian

and legal objections.

The findings mean that the issue of dependants from the New Commonwealth and Pakistan will remain potentially controversial unless Britain's political leaders produce new

The parliamentary group makes no positive recommenda-tion for or against a register, saying merely "our task . . . has been one of examination".

The group, which was composed of Lord Franks (chairman), Mr Sydney Irving, Labour MP for Darrford, and Mr Mark Carlisle, QC, Conserva-tive MP for Runcorn, was set up to explore the possibility of using a register to estimate future commitments and for reference in individual cases. Mr William Whitelaw, chief opposition spokesman on home affairs, suggested in July that heads of households who here before January 1, 1973, should have the right to register dependants. He said the British people must be given the prospect of an end to immigration.

Mr Roy Jenkins, then Home Secretary, agreed to have the idea of a register examined. but pointed out that such a

It had been hoped by some officials that a register outlining Britain's commitment to those entitled to come here would enable a fresh start to be made on the issue of nationality

register was introduced in 1965.

A year's experience of its operation led to the decision to

wind it up, as it served no use-

and citizenship.

The group's findings show how complicated the issue of immigration and citizenship has

seas wives and children could in principle be registered, but it would be impracticable to include parents and grandparents who do not fulfil the criteria for acceptance. The inclusion of fiance and fiances admitted for three months to get married "would serve little practical

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Review hint on rules for deportation

By Stewart Tendler A deputation from the National Council for Civil Liberties was given indications by Mr Rees, Home Secretary, yesterday that procedures for deportations on security grounds will be reviewed after the cases of Mr Philip Ages and Mr Mark Hosenball.

The deputation saw Mr Rees to raise issues arising from the detail on the allegations against them and the appeal procedure. The deputation said afterwards that they had been given clear indications by Mr Rees that he accepted that there was a case for examining the procedure and making changes.
He also told the NCCL that

the controversy over the cases had been a "politically trau-matic experience" for him. He had not yet decided on whether the deportations should take place but he would allow himself a full working day to conpider the decisions. Asked why further details of

the ellegations against the two men could not be given, Mr Rees said further details of the ellegation against Mr Agee of making contact with foreign intelligence agents would en-danger peoples' lives.

Science course demands may not be met

By Frances Gibb, of The Times Higher Education

Supplement Universities might be unable to meet the increase in demand for science and technology courses unless they are given more resources, Sir Roy Marshall, secretary general of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals, said yesterday. He was commenting on a re-cent meeting between the vice-chancellors and Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, at which the upward trend in applications for those subjects was dis-

The Government had suggested that universities could take another four thousand students a year in science and technology, Sir Roy said. But although the demand was there, universities had only a certain amount of capacity in terms of staff and buildings. He pointed out that if uni-

versities were to increase their intake by 4,000 a year, in three years' time the university population would be 285,000, which was more than half the 560,000 total higher education target for 1981. But the White Paper, A Framework for Expansion envisaged that total students in higher education would be equally divided between universities and poly-technics by 1981.

At their meeting with Mrs Williams the vice-chancellors spoke of the need for a hard-ship fund, possibly of about 15m, to help students in difficulties over their face.

assistant curates compares unfavourably with the Methodist Church pay scale for proba-tioner ministers. Methodist probationers

get £2,172 a year, while curates start on £1,600, which goes up £40 a year for the first four years and £60 a year thereafter. The anual pay of incumbents has been set at £2,400 a year, £46 a week, the report says, but some diocase pay less, such as Exeter, where stipends are £2.100 a year. The report quotes £2,100 a year. The report quotes the Church Commissioners' finding that 35.2 per cent of

incumbents' stipends are below the recommended level.

Traditional extra sources of income, such as the Easter offering and educational appointments, are deducted from the stipend.

Although houses are provided free, they are frequently old and rambling and require great expense to heat and maintain. Another expense is that of a

Car.
The association wants to be consulted more on matters re-lating to pay and conditions. It wants its representatives to serve with the Church Commis-sioners and the Archbishops' Advisers on the Church's Needs

Tory MP fears an artificial super-state EEC

By Our Political Staff Anti-Europeanism is not yet developed through the Council dead in Mrs Thatcher's Shadow of Ministers, with each minister Cabinet. At the Commons last Cabinet. At the Commons last night Mr Biffen, spokesman on industry, in private gave an account of what he deemed a "good European" to be.

He would, he argued, in his sense of Europeanism, welcome the proposed EEC membership of Greece, and eventually Spain, Turkey and Portugal, because such an extension would necestions of Common Market government which will make it become a Europe of nation

Similarly, economic and monetary union would produce writ large the common argricul-tural policy, with the EEC as "an artificial super-state engag-ing neither the loyalty nor enthusiasm of the citizens of the nations that comprise it ".

On a European Parliament whose law-making and spending authority would grow at the

"by a policy of cooperation elected on a manifesto which Mr Douglas Hurd, Tory spokes-

That would enable the Strasbourg assembly to concentrate on a dangerously neglected role in modern government: the scrutiny of Community expenditure, checking abuses and assessing the effectiveness of policies backed by Community funds.

Under-Secretar State for Employment, said in Middlesbrough last night that "there is now a carefully orchestrated campaign to undermine the social contract" by high-lighting anomalies or belittling advantages. He agreed that there was a

He agreed that there was a strong case for providing better incentives to management and for dealing with the rough justice many skilled workers had inevitably suffered. Some change was now recognized as "the essential regeneration" of industry, fundamental to the

pledges us to protect the worst off when times are hard". Mr Grant added: "We must not throw away our gains by pre-cipitate and undue self-indulgence, most of all by those at the top of the heap." Mr David Howell, an opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs, said in Kingston upon Thames

that the key to reduced unemployment, as well as to general economic recovery and revita-British industry, lay smaller scale enterprise. The Labour Government's ceaseless preoccupation with sector working parties, picking the winners, and the tripartite strategy beand the triparitie strategy between big government, big
unions, and big industry "does
not connect with the real
world; it is just not where the
new jobs are going to be".
All government grants and
loans to industries and busi-

loans to industries and businesses would be wasted "unless reward and encouragement come to businessmen, traders, expense of Westminster, Mr industry, fundamental to the wholesalers, shopkeepers and self-employed; the people who peoples would be best served But "the Labour Party was make it all work".

man on European affairs, said in London that "we are now watching the long, sad march of the British Labour movement away from democracy". He gave three illustrations : First, the Bullock report on

industrial democracy, recom-mending that worker-directors should be chosen not by direct election but nominated by trade Second, the over-representation of Scotland and Wales at Westminster under the devolution Bill, with Scottish and Welsh MPs voting on English questions, although English members could not vote on Scotrish and Welsh devolved questions. Third, the Govern-ment's shuffling over direct

elections to the European Parliament because Labour had made a mess of its parliamentary timetable.
Mr Hurd concluded: "If the social democrats in the Government and the labour movement are to be more than a shadow they should act on these three fronts to justify their name."

Law changes urged for mentally ill offenders

By Our Medical Correspondent present such a decision may be Proposals by Mind (the made without any finding by a National Association for Menjudge or jury that the individual Health) for changes in the ual concerned committed the legal treatment of mentally offence.
abnormal offenders will be The debated at a conference at before a hospital order for an Church House, Westminster, abnormal offender is made the today. Speakers will include court should consult the hospi-Lord Butler of Saffron tal concerned and the area Walden, Professor T. N. C. health authority. If the auth-Gibbens, of the Institute of ority refuses to accept the Psychiatry, and Mr Albert offender as a hospital patient Spanswick, general secretary it should give its reasons in of the Confederation of Health

Service Employees.
The Mind proposals have been published in A Human rights officer

Arguing that the traditional exemption of the mentally ill from the criminal law may sometimes lead to serious curtailments of liberty, Mind pro-poses that there should be a finding of fact before anyone is held unfit to plead. At

Secretary of State would have power to direct the authority to admit him.

Condition, an account of the Alternatively the court present law and its defects as seen by Mr Larry Gostin, the such a direction. Offenders association's legal and welfare released from bospital should have 12 months of after-care and supervision

Restriction orders should generally be made for limited periods, not indefinitely, it is

A Human Condition (Mind, 22 Harley Street, London, W1;

syllabuses to take more deliberate account of the industrial and commercial applications of what is studied in school.

people from minority groups to widen their horizons in terms of

their priorities for secondment and in-service training for

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By Our Health Ser Correspondent The South West

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to distribute doctors throughout the cour The plan says ar review of maternity needed, especially spractitioner units, region has a low inferrate, the number of occurring shortly be birth is ama tter i One reason for peril is lack of attention to prenatal care and use of facilities at bi

Education debate: Government outlines four areas for discussion the skills and experience pupils acquire in school. There may well be scope for more consultations between employers and examining bodies and schools with a view to helping those who design ally, certain qualifying standards in English and mathematics, per-

A document giving the back-ground to the "great debate" on education at eight regional conferences was published by the Department of Education and Science yesterday. There are four main areas for discussion at the conferences, which will be held between Friday week and March 29. The four areas are: the school curriculum; assessment of standards; teacher training;

and the relationship between school and working life. Ex-tracts from the main points for discussion are as follows: discussion are as follows:

1. School Curriculum: In addition
to establishing basic skills, the curriculum should enable children,
as part of their essential general
education, to understand the
society of which they are part.
In planning the curriculum,
schools in this country have considerable professional freedom,
but all have to take account both
of the needs and capacities of
individual pupils and of the needs
and expectations of society at and expectations of society at large. It is unlikely that any simple curricular prescription, universally applied, would in fact meet those expectations

round the need for a common cur-riculum, or for at least a common core to the curriculum. The two are not wholly interchangeable: a common curriculum may imply maintaining the same educational pattern for all pupils with little choice; but a common core most often suggests an irreducible minimum essential to the education of all children, with room for variation beyond and around it. It is often argued that in primary schools there is already a common core or even a wholly common curriculum. Certain major elements are common to all children, with appropriate changes of method and style as children growolder.

But common labels on the timetable do not necessarily amount are not wholly interchangeable

table do not necessarily amount to a common courtculum. For example, in one school "reading" for 11 year-olds may mean individual practice in reading, with concentration on ensuring that the concentration on ensuring that the poorest readers can decode the written word; in another, time will be given to the skills of comprehension and scanning or to the development of techniques the M1 near Wakefield, involving a lorry and a van containing the seven members of the Loveing as pop group and four girls.

Concentration on ensuring that the ment and observation may be defined as the application, to all written word; in another, time or to individual children of a given or individual children or individual children or a given or individual children or individual childr

positively beneficial. 2. Assessment of standards: There

is little quantitative, national evidence of trends in educational standards except for the national standards except for the national reading surveys caried out since 1948. The most recently published results were from the 1970 survey and subject to a wide margin of error. The fact that there is a widespread feeling that standards need to be raised cannot be ignored. Whether or not fit is found that standards have remained constant, risen or fallen over some past period is less important than whether the standards which are being achieved today recorrespond as nearly as possible to society's requirements.

Three approaches to the assessment of performance are considered in the following paralismans.

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A. Systematic individual assessment and observation may be defined as the application, to all or to individual children of a given

continued education, the curriculum should be diversified to match diverse intentions and aspirations as well as diverse abilities and needs. Certainly current practice shows a fairly standard pattern of subjects in years one to three, moving to diversification by student choice in years four to seven in the majority of schools. In the fourth and fifth years, when the programme for most pupils covers some eight or mine subjects, the fixed points in the curriculum in current practice are likely to be no more than four: English, mathematics, religious education and guidance. Many schools attempt to add a science and, less often, a foreign language for most of their pupils. For probably the majority of secondary schools less than italf the timetation of pupils in the fourth and fifth years is spent on this "core curriculum"; the rest of the time is given to a very wide variety of optional subjects:

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table of pupils in the fourth and sifith years is spent on this "core carriculum"; the rest of the time is given to a very wide variety of optional subjects:

As families move about the concerned if they encounter lack of continuity in their children's education. We need, however, to recognize that not all differences are harmful, and some may be positively beneficial.

Attention is currently being given to changes in the single-subject examinations taken normally at the ages of 16-plus and 18-plus and to the possibility of introducing a transport of the possibility of examination results. Attention is currently being given to changes in the single-subject examinations taken normally at the possibility of introducing a further examination suitable for some pupils aged 17-plus. However, present arrangements and the modifications of them now being considered will not answer two of the criticisms commonly voiced today. The first is linked to conpresent arrangements and the modifications of them now being considered will not answer two of the criticisms commonly voiced today. The first is linked to concern over competence in basic skills in mathematics and the use skills in mamematics and the use of English, and leads to the sug-gestion that tests should be taken by all pupils before they leave school to establish their compe-

tence in these respects. The second focuses on the fact that it is at present possible for candidates to pursue some subjects to examination level and to abandon others, considered by the abandon others, considered by the critics to be of greater (or more central) importance. One way of meeting this criticism, which seems to merit careful consideration, might be to provide, alongside the system of single-subject examinations, for a "group" certificate, the granting of which would depend on the achievement of at least a certain minimum standard in a number of specified subjects: possibly mathematics, English, science and a modern language.

C. Assessment by sampling aims to

by a one-year post-graduate course, a pressing need for care-fully planned and supervised in-duction and subsequent in-service raining to reinforce and develop, as experience accumulates, the professional skills acquired initially. Inservice training must also be available to the more experienced teachers who may have to meet problems of curri-culum, organization or environ-ment that were not envisaged in their initial training; who may their initial training; who may need extension or reorientation of professional skills; or who are about to assume special responsi-hilities such as those of head of department. School-based in-ser-vice training has an important part to play here.

The need for intending teachers to meet challenging academic and professional requirements demands consideration of the curry quali-cations to be expected of students seeising to train. Apart from the ultimate aim of a normal require-

in English and mathematics, perhaps in terms of performance in
O level, should be demanded.
Though the accusation frequently
made that teachers are remote
from "real life" is over-generalized, it may be the case that too
many teachers start their career
having little direct acquaintance
with the realities of daily life
end work in industry and commerce. Quite apart from any
question of careers gnidance to
pupils and vocational orientation
of lesson content, a case could
be made that every student in
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acquire a good understanding of
the means by which a society
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their working lives. makes its fiving and of the circumstances in which pupils will spend their working lives.

4. School and working life: Critics of the education system complain that many pupils leave school ill equipped to take any job because they lack skill in basic aritimetic and have poor command of Engish for either written or spoken communication; that many have negative attitudes to work and to the discipline it entails; and that the school system is geared to promote the importance of academic learning and careers with the result that pupils, especially the more able, are prejudiced against.

Work in productive trade and industry. Criticisms are also directed at industry, for instance that employers often lay down unrealistic standards of attainment for except learners will heave and increased.

tic standards of attainment for school leavers well beyond what the job requires; and that they have not adapted to the effects of educational change over the last 20 years and have not made allowances for the fact that they are selecting from a group of school leavers which is more highly creamed by higher and further education that it would have been

two decades ago.

Employers should make themselves familiar with what schools are doing now so that they may better understand how to evaluate Road, London, SE1 7PH; free).

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days to 15 years. The first of the eight regional son, headmaster of a comprehence on education being organized by the Government over the next six weeks will be in Newcastle upon Tyde on Friday week. The speakers will be Dr William Taylor, director of London University's Institute of Education; Mr Roy Jackson, TUC education and Incal inspector; and Mr T. Hellissian and Incal inspector; and Mr T. Hellissian and Incal inspector; and Mr T. Hellissian and Individual pupils processes and the performance of school-leavers and education.

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studied in school.

Although most secondary schools have designated one or more "careers reachers", the time and attention allocated to the subject as part of the custiculum varies widely. If every school is to implement a policy of careers education for all pupils from not later than the age of 13, many schools will used to adjust their priorities to find time for careers education. Employers and trade unions can make a significant contribution to programmes of careers work by make a significant constitution to programmes of careers work by offering opportunities for work experience and work observation, and by encouraging representatives of both management and shop floor to visit schools to talk to and work with pupils. They can also do much to help girls and young people from minerity groups to

widen their horizons in terms of careers by adopting a more positive attitude towards them. If, as is often said, one of the key problems is teachers' lack of knowledge of, or sympathy for, trade and industry, here again employers have a part to play in offering opportunities to teachers to gain experience of working in industry and by fostering direct connects between their own staffs and the teachers in local schools even if these activities use the time of employees who can ill be spared from other duties. For their part, local education authorities should give due weight in fixing their priorities for secondment

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no is now the nd others in the that the The Scotland and Wales Act, 1977, provides for an elected Scotlish assembly and executive. Scotland would remain part of the United Kingdom. The new assembly and executive would exercise substantial powers devolved by Parlia-ment. These provisions will how-ever come into force only if approved in this referendum."

The ballot form then goes on to ask if the person voting agrees that the provisions of the Act should be put into effect. The Shadow Cabinet decided to ask the House to delete the preamble and to substitute the words: "Parliament has decided that the people should be consulted on the question whether the Scotland and Wales Act should be put into effect

Although some MPs will regard it as a matter of seman-tics, Conservative leaders insist that the change will have the effect of making people think more deeply about the implications of devolution. But it will open the way for many other critics of the Bill to put forward strong arguments for three four, perhaps as many as five questions designed, in the same way, " to clear the air". Meanwhile MPs continued to

flood the Commons order paper with scores of questions that they think ought to be put to the Scots and Welsh in the proposed referendums, and the consider what new minefields they can create to delay the Government's progress.
The order paper itself con-

to produce a "Yes" response. tains plenty of explosive mater-That for Scotland states: tains plenty of explosive mater-ial already. More than 700 main amendments have been put down, but there has now appeared a bewildering array of "sub-amendments" which

cannot be numbered. Normally thy would be labelled "a", "b" and so on. But once the alphabet runs out, the next batch becomes "aa", "bb" and other double letters outpouring of ideas for consulting the people that yesterday's amendment paper contained items labelled "00000", "qqqqq" and "2222".

As MPs prepared for the next stage of the parliamentary marathon in the Commons today, one bored critic of the Bill suggested that the " zzzz " sign. as it grows longer and longer, might be regarded as symbolic of the Bill as a whole as it grinds its weary way towards the guillotine.

The Government has appa-

rently put off a decision on us-

ing the guillotine until next week. The whips are still un-

certain whether they can tauster

a majority. It is now quite clear that the Government, by placating one group of critics and proposing the referendums to the hope of winning votes for a later guillotine motion, has opened up a happy hunting ground for troublemakers and for the English critics who are furious because the Government refuses to contemplate a reduction in the number of Scottish and Welsh MPs at Westminster, or

an increase in the Northern Ireland represenation.

Scots still oppose independent status

From a Staff Reporter Edinburgh

hostility towards independence, according to the latest public opinion poll. It shows that 65 per cent would reject independence if a referendum on the question was held, 24 per cent would be in favour, and 11 per cent would not know.

The survey, taken by Opinion Research Centre. is published in detail in *The Scotsman* today. It was conducted among 1.006 Scottish electors in 50

On general election voting intentions, the poll showed the same neck-and-neck result as other recent surveys, with Labour holding 32 per cent of the popular vote, the Scottish National Party 31 per cent and the Conservatives 29 per cent. Other parties received only 0.5 per cent and 9 per cent gave no other parties received only 0.5 per cent and 9 per cent gave no roting intentiod. Only 20 per cent were in favour of proportional representation, and 30 per cent did not know what proportional representation

Devolution opposed: A small group of Labour Party members in England called Welsh Labour in England Against Devolution began an anti-devolution cam-

began an anti-devolution cam-paign yesterday (Trevor Fish-lock writes).

Led by Mr Martyn Sloman, an economist, the group claims to speak for people with Welsh connexions living in England. Mr Clive Jenkins, the union leader, is among its supporters. Fishing restriction, page 7

Food poisoning cases increase by half

Food poisoning cases in England increased by nearly half in 1975 over the previous year, reaching more than 10,000 for the first time since records

The figures, taken from official statistics not yet published, are given by Mr John Sheard, deputy director of public health, Amber Valley District Council, who describes them as an alarming increase in Environ-mental Health, the journal of the Environmental Health Officers Association.

Mr Sheard assumes that food poisoning is not always reported and says the increase took place in spite of continued efforts to teach food hygiene. 2977

by salmonella organisms. He says the growing trends mainly responsible are more people eating out; the opening of more eating out; the opening of more eating establishments and more public houses providing meals and snacks; an increase in intensive raising of animals and poultry for food; and the feeding of stock with contaminated food.

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A change in legislation was

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necessary to enable all those responsible for day-to-day management to display a certificate from an approved organization that deals with food hygiene and control.

All too often, he says, a Intensive rearing of animals brewery, for example, is unconcerned about catering in a free herds and flocks should be

home produced feedingstuffs sterilized. More people were carrying salmonella without showing any symptoms, which meant that it was becoming difficult to control an outbreak.

One suggested cause, which needed further investigation, was the continued use of sul-phonamide drugs by family was the conductance use of samphonamide drugs by family doctors when a person showed signs of diarrhoea or sickness. That, rather than clearing up the infection, left carriers.

Much time and public money were lost each year on investi-gating salmonellosis. The gaing: samonellosis. The
Department of Health, the
Ministry of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food, the Public
Health Laboratory Service and
district councils should coordinate reports, set priorities and

Checks against elm peril Excise men's strike threat

Labour Staff

A union leader said yesterday that customs and excise officers might take industrial action over a plan to reduce the number of customs staff by 170 and over the Government's refusal to increase the number of VAT

Mr Leslie Christie, secretary of the Society of Civil and Public Servants' customs, and excise group, said the appointment of 2,000 more VAT inspectors at a net cost of £6m would enable between £70m and £100m to be collected.

"At a time of financial stringency the Government's decision not to try to collect this money is indefensible. It

would enable 12 new hospitals to be built or 30,000 jobs to be created."

According to government estimates, however, it would cost £25m to collect about £30m in lost revenue.

Referring to possible indus-trial action by custom officers, Mr Christie said: "With Easter coming up, that could mean congestion at our airports." Cusdecision to reduce their num-bers by about 7 per cent will result not only in loss of revenue but will increase the risks of rabies spreading into Britain and of drug smuggling.

Mr Christie said: "With the ever-expanding traffic, the standards of control would be reduced even if the staff numbers were to remain static."

From Ronald Faux

Spot checks on timber loads moved by road to Scotland are being considered in an attempt to reduce the spread of Dutch elm disease. Penetration into the North of England and Scotland has been faster than expected and more widespread. pected and more widespread than the disease-bearing beetle could have achieved alone.
The Forestry Commission suspects that timber consignments

transported by lorry may have helped to spread the disease from heavily infected areas of England. It is illegal to transport elm by road without special licence unless the bark been removed. The commission is considering stricter measures against any thoughtless or negligent dealer who risks

signing unbarked elm by road. lion elms, mainly in urban areas and public parks. About 500 are known to be diseased.

The Forestry Commission provides advice and laboratory help but local authorities are responsible for cutting down the diseased elms. A meeting of representatives from the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities is soon to discuss a joint policy for dealing with

So far the commission's policy to check the disease has been to halt movement of any rimber that might be infected, to check sawnills and timber yards and to provide quick detection of the aggressive

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The council and Mr Harry, who had denied liability, were

sary Court. also ordered to pay the costs fertfordshire, of the case, unofficially estibling broken mated at between £50,000 and £60,000.

After the hearing, Mr Bryan Collman, a policeman, of Flat 10. said that some of the trees stood 80ft high. "Roots and suckers started appearing all over our gardens. It was no good trying to pull them up."

They were like "Triffids", he said.

The defence contended that the subsidence at Rosary Court was caused by shallow foundations and leaking drains.

The families had also applied

for an order requiring the coun-cil to take action over the trees.

'still too slow'

Manufacturers of domestic electrical appliances are still "too slow, too difficult to get hold of and not competent enough" in their servicing, according to this month's edition of Which? the magazine of the Consumers' Association. From the experiences of 7,395 of its members covering 40,000 machines, Which? discovered that one piece of equip-

covered that one piece of equip-ment out of seven had been delivered with faults and that

not work properly.
Almost a fifth of appliances

broke down during the guaran-tee period. Dishwashers and automatic washing machines

The magazine concedes that a code of practice introduced by the Association of Manu-facturers of Domestic Electrical Appliances has had some effect

but says most manufacturers are still falling well short of

Easier drug penalties

Amendments are to be pro-posed to the Criminal Law Bill in the House of Lords today to

remove penalties of imprison-ment for certain offences

Ulster rate up 15.8 pc The regional rate for Nor-hern Ireland has been

increased by 5.7p in the pound,

a rise of 15.8 per cent for mestic ratepayers.

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lling f500 at Mr Arthur Hardiman, the Magistrates' chairman, said the magistrates had a duty to protect the public. Anyone standing near the unguarded flames of the fire might have their clothes set alight and a fatality might

Mr Warwick Simpson, for the prosecution, said the action had been brought as a test case to draw attention to the increa ingly prevalent trade practice which has enabled manufachas enabled manufacturers of this type of heating appliance to escape the requireew Corry, of tion Act (Fireguard Regula-Heaton Moor, tions) by marketing heating appliances described as " visual

Mr Briau Livingstone, for the defence of Mr Corry, said there were about 16 manufacturers in alying with a Britain but there had been no and to apply- previous prosecution. Mr Corry's sales literature had been similar to that of competitors. Mr Corry rd offence he imum of £100. Soo fires and there had been no complaint from any customer. He had withdrawn all his

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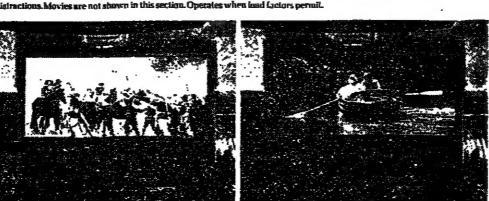
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tunity provision which will apply in the case of the new round. I have been involved in discussions with the oil companies and trade

unions on trade union rights off-

The object of participation is

that the Government are in a posi-tion to watch development of these resources not only from the exploration point of view but in

the general conduct of the trade and refinery business. It is this that has taken some time; this was

not present in the previous round of licences.

Mr Trevor Skeet (Bedford, C)-

What are the conditions attached to the borrowing agreement on the sale of oil?

sale of oil?

Mr Benn-The cost of borrowing for development of North Sea all will be exactly the same for BNOC as for other oil companies. The amount of capital involved in developing North Sea oil depends on whether drills turn out to be capable of development. (Conservative protests.)

tive protests.)
Air Max Madden (Sowerby, Lab-

government off policy has ume nothing to deter oil exploration activity, contrary to the howks of the Opposition. Requests from Labour MPs for tax revenue to be

Mr Benn-Our policy has not deterred the companies from continuing development of the North Sea. On mx revenue, we have the

petroleum revenue tax plus—r-nyl-ties and the fact BNOC will be taking a genuine 51 per cent equity

85 per cent of revenue from new round of oil licences will accrue to UK: drilling to begin in the spring

Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, Bristol, South East, Lab) for exploitation of oil on the block, which we listed in the invilimited Kingdom Continental Shelf, tation to apply. in the fifth round of applications.

Nr Benn said: The offshore on companies, through the United Kingdom Offshore Operators Assoclation, have thrown themselves with vigour into the working out of a pro forma operating agreement which will be the basis of the relationship between BNOC (which will have a 51 per cent share in the fifth round licences) and its co-

I shall be making offers of licences subject to two conditions: the agreement between us and the potential licenses (including BNOC) of a compulsory explora-tion programme for the blocks to be licensed; and the conclusion by each group of co-licensees, with my approval, of an operating agreement based on the pro forms

ing. The second is new, because it is needed to define in a way accurable to the oil companies and to the Government the working relationship between the majority parmer, BNOC, and the other licensees.

ters: the first because it will spell out precisely the programmes of exploration drilling for each of the blocks licenced, the second because it will determine the way n which the nation's interests are taken into account in our future Each applicant is being asked to reply to the offer within two weeks. After that, there will be a period of some months during which the two agreements will be

Mr Merlyn Rees, Home Secretary, indicated in a statement on the Franks Report published today. The parliamentary group under Lord Franks was set up "to exam-

Air Rees (Leeds, South, Lab)

have, however, reached a number

It is inherent in the only scheme

which the group thought feasible toat a register would be discrim-inatory, incomplete in coverage, would involve long delay in imple-

mentation and be very expensive; and it is clear that it could give no

Although we shall listen carefully to the views of MPs on the report, the Government's view is that such a register would not be

desirable, practicable or likely to serve the purposes which pro-moters of the idea intended for it.

The Government have been considering whether other steps can be taken to relieve current anxieties.

These anxieties have to be seen against the background of the society to which we are dedicated.

equality and harmony in which all with a right to live here are treated fairly. This can be assisted by firm action to check abuses of the

Present system.

New immigration rules will shortly be made to deal with mar-

riages of convenience simed solely at achieving entry or avoiding re-

The taking of employment contrary to conditions imposed (mentry—which is by no means confined to people from the new Commonwealth and Pakistan—has

Commonwealth and ranstan use been of concern not only to the Government but to the TUL and is currently under discussion in the EEC. Methods of ensuring that all

applicants for employment are entitled to take it will be discussed with both sides of industry. I am also investigating the extent

of overstaying by people admitted for temporary purposes. Action in these areas should de a

Action in these areas should do a lot to put an end to abuses of the existing system. On all of these matters the Government will give further information to the House in the near future.

I am also considering the question of reform of our nationality law which, as the Franks report points out, has a bearing on our immigration policy, I shall make a further statement on this also in due course.

due course.

Mr William Whitelaw, Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Penrith and the Border, C)—The Home Secretary will have wide-spread support when he accepts that in the interests of good race

relations, steps must be taken to relieve current anxieties about the scale of immigration. On that basis, as a start, we

welcome his determination to check the abuses of marriages of

convenience and overstaving and

hope he will bring forward detailed proposals as soon as possible. Such limited measures do not go

to the heart of the problem and su they will not allay basic tears about the present scale of immirra-

about the present scale or immura-tion and uncertainty over future immigration trends, which will continue to pose a substantial threat to tolerance and understand.

Mr Rees-Stopping abuses is wel-

ng in our community.

This is a society based on racial

certainty about future numbers.

a register of dependants ".

If, as I expect, all the offers we now make are in practice taken up, we shall be issuing licences for 44 our of the 71 blocks and part-

The take-up rate is close to the highest obtained in earlier rounds of United Kingdom offshore licensing, and about the same as in last year's United State's offshore oil round. Two applicant groups applied for specified blocks and in addition offered to consider other blocks, yet to be specified, from within those offered in the fifth round. I shall be pursuing this offer further with them.

The major international oil companies are well represented. But there are also oil companies, both European and North American, which are among the independents. There are a few, but not many, companies which are new to United Kingdom offshore oil operations.

Among the operators for the blucks and part-blocks for which licences are being offered, will be

The first of these conditions 535
been a regular feature of United
Kingdom rounds of offshore licenseing. The second is new, because it
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the Government the working relationship between the majority
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Both of these are important matters: the first because it will spell
licentes are being offered, will be
BNOC. By agreement in each case
with their co-licensees, BNOC are
to be the operator in four blocks.
This will help BNOC to develop
its existing capability as an operation and on the Thistie field) and
bence continue to extend its ability
to help maximize the benefits to
the United Kingdom from exploition of our oil and gas resources. ration of our oil and gas resources.

Mr Tom King, Opposition spokesman on energy (Bridgwater, C), said this much delayed announcement would almost certainly mean that the whole of this year would be lost in developing these appli-cations. What had been lost in the potential increase in employment

by the offshore oil industry 'y this delay?

To make a success of this round of applications did the solid) involve a major change of Governworked out for each successful volve a major change of Govern-applicant or applicant group.

The actual awards of individual licences will take place as and licences will take place as and

recognition that BNOC is now a the rights of trade union organization. would Mr Benn estimate the cost involved? Will it take the copporation outside their fluncial unity provision which will apply limits under the Petroleum and Submarine Pipelines Act?

Mr Benu-It has taken three scars of hard effort to undo durage of nard effort to indo a maje done by the Conservative Govern-ment in disposing of all under the licensing round for which they were responsible without any guarantee whatsoever that the United Kingdom would reneal as it now will from our policy.

I do not for a moment except that there has been delay. The difference this time is that 31 per cent of the holding will ne United Kingdom holding. With the Petroleum Revenue Tax, which we introduced, with the capacity to take royalty on cil-which we introduced, and with the Petroleum and Submarine Pipelines Act which we introduced, and with the arrangements innuonced today, 85 per cent of the revenue

That is a substantial change in

pulicy.
Mr Jo Grimond (Orkney and Shet-land, 1)—When may work start?
Has he estimated the consequent demand there may be for drilling ries, shore facilities and so on?
Mr Benn—The drilling season will heady in the spreing. It is our inten-Mr Benn—The drilling season will begin in the spring. It is our intention that the agreements will be completed so that we shall catch the 1977 drilling season. It is hoped that this will bring a bigger demand in terms of jobs and investment in the United Kingdom. It is going to be much easter for the general British interest in these matters to be preserved due to the role BNOC will have.

Mr Robert Hughes (Aberdeen,

shambles and there was evidence that the scheme was heading for the rocks, Mr Patrick Jenkin, chief

Opposition spokesman on the

social services (Redbridge, Wan-stead and Woodford, C), said, opening a debate on the scheme,

He said the Government's changes were a classic tale of

changes were a classic tale of order, counter and disorder. They had abandoned in May the original Child Benefit Act, which envisaged a tax free cash benefit for mothers and other benefits, in favour of the £1 family allowance for the first child, which brought familles exactly 30p a week. In September the Government unwisely accepted

the Government unwisely accepted the TUC's curious hybrid proposal.

Wherever one looked at this scheme it was a shambles, a leaflet campaign which had got urterly

haywire, major departments string-gling to cope with wild changes of direction and policy, massive new complexities in the tax system, added complexities in the system of means-tested benefits, new bit-terriess among managers and pre-

terness among managers and pro-fessional people as they found themselves paying more tax, new worries about student support, and anxiety on the parts of parents with children over 19 with no grant and no child benefit.

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Looming over it all, still, with eight weeks to go were one million one-child families who had not yet

The astonishing thing was that

The astonishing thing was that this did not seem to worry ministers. Blind to the crumbling realities around them they continued to laud their achievements with almost biblical fervour.

Mr Stanley Orme, Minister for Social Security (Salford, Wast, Lab), said the debate gave him a chance to reply to the alarmist rubbish which surrounded this subject.

Mr Robert Hughes (Aberdeen, North, Lab)—Will the pro forms agreement give the Government full rights of access to the informanoting.

Mr Gordon Wilson (Dundee, East, Scot Nat)—His reputation of being an English loyalist will be enhanced by his statement.

into the Treasury and into the hands of London. It is a gross betrayal of the interests of Scottish workers that there is no ref-erence to the memorandum of un-derstanding in relation to the purchase of goods. In discussions in connexion with

the individual licences, there should be incorporated in the agreement a clear understanding that the purchase of equipment should go to Scottish sources, and Scottish nationals should be hired wherever possible.

Mr Benn-We have negotiated a full and fair opportunity provision and that is part and parcel of our oil pohty. If he is suggesting that I should be steering work away from factories in England to Scotland. then perhaps he should make that

explicit.
Candidly. I do not think it right for a United Kingdom minister to do things that would hinder the opportunities, say of platform builders in the North-East, to 20 to

The majority of jobs have accrued in Scotland, Scotland has been better served by having a firm United Kingdom oil policy pursued with the companies over a long period.

Into period.

The public sector share of the North Sea licences announced today amounts to 56 per cent public sector, 18 per cent private sector, making the United Kingdom share of the licences announced today 74 per cent with the rest divided between others. Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirlingapplicant countries to give a specific commitment to provide jubs especially in areas of high unem-ployment. Many of us would rather have an English socialist like Mr Benn than a Scottish fascist or a Scottish nationalist.

to see that the resources are deve-loped not only to be developed and sold as oil, but used to help to

(Labour protests.) Some 95 per sold as oil, but used to help 5 cent of the return will be going contribute to re-industrialization.

Minister denies Conservative charge of shambles over child benefit scheme

The Government took the view figures for those admitted on that a register of dependants of immigrants still wanting to come to the United Kingdom would not be desirable, practicable wilkley to serve the purposes which protections with us for 10 years. The other is the purposes which prothose exempt from deportation under Section 7 of the Immigration It is easy in talking about numbers to give the impression that all is wrong. Certainty is not possible on these matters. What people require is a belief that all is not properly and that millions of not wrong and that millions of people are not coming into this

stated that on the central issue the group said that " if the reader of this report had hoped to find a country. Those who give that impression are doing harm to good race relations.

Mr Emlyo Hooson (Montgomeryshire, L)—The key to this matter is reform of the nationality law. When does be intend to make a further statement on that? positive recommendation for or against a register he will be disappointed ".

The group (he said) did not make recommendations. They

List of relatives of

immigrants ruled

out as undesirable

further statement on that? Mr Rees-I inherited a report isof conclusions about a possible scheme but in doing so draw often tion to the fact that it would be open to objections which would be side the department on nationality.

I have studied it carefully. Even if there was all the purliamentary time available, which there is not, it is not simple to alter citizenship. matters for the Government and Parliament to take into account. in different parts of the world and transmission of citizenship.

I propose to publish a document at the appropriate time which will be a discussion paper. I have found in looking at it that every page of the document I inherited is a mine-field which could cause the great-est of problems, and which, regarding legislation, would make the devolution Bill look like a one clares. Bill

Mr Reginald Prentice (Newbam, North-East, Lab)—One of the most unsatisfactory aspects is the long delays that genuine dependants have to undergo before they can get a substantive interview in High Commission or embassy offices of the substantive interview.

clause Bill.

the sub-continent. Mr Rees-Procedures have been speeded up. The Minister of State has been to the Asian sub-con-tinent recently on my behalf. The problem of dealing with documen-tation in an area where registration is not the norm, is difficult. Men and women who work at the entry stations in the Asian sub-continent and all parts of the world have a difficult job.

and an parts of the works sold difficult job.
We do everything possible to be humane and helpful to people who are often worried about their fature. Mr Enoch Powell (5, uth Down,

Mr Knoch Powell (S. uth Down, UUUC)—Has he noted that the number of the population in the year 2000 which this report extinates will be of new Commonwealth origin exceeds by a little the 6.5 per cent which I forecast in 1968? That an overall percentage in the United Kingdom of 7 per forements. per cent means that there will be 20, 30 ar 40 per cent in the cities and areas primarily affected. Mr Recs—People change their atti-tudes in a new environment. A long time after our time people will be looking at the situation completely differently from the

reject his attitude. which link not only black and brown but Irishmen as well. His attitude is all-pervading and pleases people who are unsure of themselves. I do not think he is unsure of himself. He is trying to make sure of what might happen politically, but he will be proved

WIOUS. Mr Joseph Dean (Leeds, West, Lab) - Mr Thorsen arrived in this

Lab) - Mr Thorsen arrived in this country this moreing. Has any action been taken or not about the entry of Mr Thorsen? Mr Rees-He arrived at Heathrow

this morning and informed na im-migration officer that he was in-tending to pay a short visit and then go to Paris. He said he was here to promote his film, Dreams of 13, and had a copy of the proposed script for the film about the life of Christ. He dealed he was coming in connexion with that pro-After questioning the immigra-

Mr Rees—Stopping abuses is welcomed in all parts of the community. not least in the immigrant community because it does great harm to them for people to think that abuses are the norm.

In the Franks report there are

Safety sense in speed limits

port, expects to announce the Gov-ernment's decision on the future level of speed limits before Easter, Mr John Horam, Under Secretary for Transport (Gateshead, West, Lab), said. He had been asked how many representations the department had received on the 50 and 60

We are also considering whether the period in which Mentmore would qualify for some privileges in its valuation for estate duty purposes can be extended.

Lord Glendevon—Would she agree it represents a good investment in what is a highly important export lodiustry on the one hand, and on the other, would she not agree this is an ideal subject for the use of the Land Fund, which after all was started with this purpose in mind by a Labour Government shortly The Secretary of State for Trans- had forwarded 29 letters from coustituents for comment and there bad been 73 letters from members of the public. The Secretary of State was considering the views expressed.

The general policy of the depart-

ment (he added) is to try to get those speed himits which will stick mph limits.

Mr Roram said that of the 54 terms, If we have laws which are representative organizations consulted 39 had sent their views. MPs later ou,

announced in September. This was also been an achievement to find the scheme which was going ahead satisfactorily. It was not on the changes of course on the child benefit scheme so that it was in a

No one could be in any doubt as to the details, the majority of which were still precisely the same as they were when the main as they were when the main leaflet was printed to reflect the original full scheme as planned. This leaflet, with the appropriate correction slip, had been in post offices since the end of November. ber. No one could be in doubt about

the tax arrangements in 1977-78 which were clearly covered in the leafler issued with individual tax coding nonces.

The scheme covered virtually every child in the country. The big change between the May and September scheme was simply that the benefit became tax free, This mide no difference to the majority of families who paid the basic rate of income tax. The mother's benefit was the same and the father's take home pay was affected to precisely me pay was affected to precisely the same extent. For those paying higher rates of tax, the change meant that it was now always worth while to claim.

Of those families with one dependent child who needed to claim, the department had already that tree million claims.

bad two million claims. There was an effective take-up rate of about 90 per cent.

outstanding (he said). It cannot guarantee that we shall have virtually complete take up by next April. Nor can I say, that, if we got a sudden last minute rush. even the resources of our central office at Newcastle and Washington could cope immediately. This is why the last stages of our extensive publicity programme will be concentrating on claims this month rather than next. If, at worst, there were some late claims or a sudden buoching of claims at the end of March no one would lose out. There was a

year's grace and arrears would be paid as soon as possible. Overall take up is already good (he continued). What then about the other and more significant indicator of confusion—the unsuccessful claim. Two million claims have been received. Of the 1,500,000 decided by December last year only 329 have been disallowed. Not much confusion there. The child benefit was a central pillar in the social security system. When the transition was a complete.

rubbish which surrounded this subject.

The Government had wished to introduce the full scheme. Many Labour MPs would like a higher rate of benefits immediately. But this was an expensive proposition. Any additional resources put into family support cost £5m a vent for an extra penny a week on the benefit; for a 50p increase that would be £300m of public expenditure a year. would be £300m of public expandlines a year.

The Government had two choices
at the end of May last year. They
could either put off the scheme or
take the first step which thog
account of the public expenditure
and pay policy realities. They were
determined to press ahead with the
scheme and the only alternative in
the circumstances was to provide When the transition was complete, the scheme would usher in a new era in family support. Although the April, 1977, phase I of the child benefit scheme was modest, it was clear it was getting established. scheme and the only alternative in the circumstances was to provide £1 for the first child and tax it in the ordinary way.

As a result of further considers. As a result of further considera-tion the scheme involving the con-sequential fax arrangements was imal for the public at large. It had

Private funds key to

buying Mentmore

Environment—We are advised that the cost of acquiring Mentmore Towers with its land and many of its contents in terms of Lord Rose-

bery's now revised offer would, if accepted, approach 13m.

accepted, approach 13m.

Without detailed proposals, we cannot be precise about the net amual maintenance cost, but we estimate on the available information that opening it to the public would cost around £80,000 per amum less any income from admission fees, catering and so on.

The Secretary of State for the Environment (Mr Shore) has already indicated in the Commons that he would certainly consider any renewed offer from Lord Rosebery provided a sufficient sum is offered from private sources

offered from private sources towards the cost of acquisition and future running costs.

We are also considering whether the period in which Mentmore would qualify for some privileges in its valuation for estate duty purposes can be extended.

some £90m for family support in 1977-78 after the substantial increase in family support less than a year ago. The only shambles was the Opposition's piriful attempt to discredit the scheme.

least f150—so that the effect of the scheme would be mitigated.

Mr John Ovenden (Gravesend, Lah) said it was important to get away from the farcical system of tax allowances which gave more tall on those on higher income.

tax allowances which gave more help to those on higher incomes than those on lower incomes. Like Margaret Rain (East Dumbartonshire, Scot Nat) said it was precisely the people mast in need of this type of benefit who were the least likely to apply for it.

Miss Josephine Richardson (Barking, Lab) said they had not really got a child benefit scheme, but the old family allowance inherit scheme. The benefit scheme dressed up and called a child benefit scheme. The benefits should be annually reviewable to counter inflation.

Mr Peter Bottomier (Greenwich. Woolwich, West, C) said the problems of means testing would never be solved until there was a high Mrs Lunda Chaiker, an Opposition

spokesman on social services (Wallasey, C), said a simpler form of family support was needed, Jug it was said that there was such an appalling muddle for those who had to operate this scheme, it was due to the continued changes. The had to operate this scheme, it was without major roadworks which due to the continued changes. The scheme was being brought this discheme was being brought the discheme was being brought this discheme was being brought the dis Mr David Ennais, Secretary of State for Social Services (Norwich,

State for Social Services (Norwich, North, Lab), said it was the Gorernment's commitment that the full scheme would be ohased in. The start would be in April. This was the first step towards a major social reform. The cost of fixtoducing the tax credit scheme would be about £5,000m.

The Government were bearing in mind the possibility of agement

mind the possibility of prement direct to bank accounts but this would have to come at a later stage. This was an enormous operation.

He hoped it would not be long

before it was possible to merge the two systems and that it would no systems and mark in words operate from one office.

Regulations to exclude students on advanced courses would be laid before the House in due course. Under the Government's proposals no family would lose family income supplement

The motion to adjourn was rejected by 278 votes to 271—Government majority, seven. Need to change

bus licensing law
The Government's rural transport
experiments, with the Passanger
Vehicles (Experimental Areas) Bill
which had been introduced in the
House of Lords, would test the
case for general amendment of
some aspects of bus licensing law,
Mr John Horam, Under Secretary
for Transport, said during questions on the licensing system.
Asked by Mr Richard Luce
(Shoreham, C) to reform the
Traffic Commissioners' licensing
system, Mr Horam said the general
question of the need for changes in The Government's rural transport experiments, with the Passanger of the Pa Lord Glendevon (C) asked what advice the Government had received as to the cost to the Land Fund of buying Mentmore liouse with its land and contents, what would be the annual cost of maintenance if the house were opened to the public, and if any consultations were being held into the possibility of raising funds from private sources towards that cost? Lady Birk—Yes. If we could get the funds from private or industrial sources, but the unfortunate story is that the Government had got the support of a large Industrial undertaking which was going to take a large financial slice of the cake and make it a viable proposition for the Government, but they oulled out at the last moment which is why it fell through. We are at a time of economic Towers with its land and many of Towers with its land and many of the economic

non rookesman on transport (Sutton Coldfield, C)—The kind of restrictions being imposed in London ignore the legitimate needs of the motorist. Many motorists who are aspects of

Breakthrough towards a comnuishing de internal EEC fisheries and licences to tackle conservation according to strict biological cri-teria and not just because of national interests. through in the extr policy. Last night's the first breakthroug

Mr Gundelach said the Community

Last night's agreement is principle

by the EEC Council of Ministers in Brussels represented a break-through in the establishment of a

revised internal fisheries policy for the Community. Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, the Commissioner for agriculture and fisheries, said

waen he intervened in a general debate on EEC fishing policy.

Mr John Prescott (Kidgston upon Hull, East, Lab), who said that

Iceland still presented a serious problem. It had been hoved mat

here would be an agreement by

Mr John Tomlinson, United King-

rive at the end of the days.

one delegation.

said they had to use the same principles as were applied in the CAP and industrial policy. Fish

restrictions

One could not allow the un-respicted use of cars in the cities

ington. C) had asked about the minister's policy on the licensing

Mr Rodgers—I am continuing to consider banking policy during the preparation of my White Paper.

Mr Standbrook.—Has the minister noted the latest spiteful idea of the Labour-controlled lame duck GLC to penalize the private motorist? Most motorists who bring their cars into London do so, In spite of

the difficulties of parking and con-gestion, because they need them for business reasons. They need help and encouragement rather than discouragement.

Mr Rodgers-I do not think

should condemn the action of a properly elected authority in the exercise of its powers. There are different views about parking in

London and it. other great cities. It is a question of finding a balance.

There should be a high degree of local option. Those responsible should decide and in the end if they are proved to be wrong the ballot box will register this.

Mr Norman Fowler, chief Opposi-

business motorists need their cars to enable them to work.

criticized

of off-street car parks.

The debate had been opened by

was negotiating with certain countries with whom they could have reciprocity agreements and with other countries which could not offer them reciprocity. If individual countries of the Community tried to confuct these negotiations by themselves, from tions he could say that the results would be lamentable. The Community could only succeed with third countries of it wack

January 1, but as every day went of without agreement, it looked as together. This was illustrated by its agreement with countries which could offer reciprocity. Furthern recisions being undertaken by countries which could not offer reciprocity was being brought down. if Iceland was using its old tactic of delaying things as long as pos-sible and then achieving its objec-As to countries where there was no reciprocity agreement, such as Norway and the Faroe Islands, fair progress was being made in the talks.

from John Commonson. Crimes King-dom Under-Secretary for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and acting President of the Council of Ministers, said negotiations with non-EEC member states on the external fisheries policy were pro-ceeding normally and progress was being made. However, there was a minus point in all this: Iceland. He bad sympathy with the special prob-lems of that small and isolated country which was highly depen-dent on fish resources. But the EEC could not, with the fishing patterns as they were, offer them a real reciprocity were ment and that being made.
At its meeting during the night, the Council of Ministers, took note of the satisfactory progress being made in negotiations with the United Strates. Work was going ahead with a view 19 lighting an agreement before February 15. real reciprocity agreement and that was one of the reasons why no agreement had been possible. The other half of the coin was that the After taking stock of the situation concerning arrangements applicable to ressels from Poland. EEC was an important market for their fish and fish products and was an important partner in other the German Democratic Republic and Russia, the Council signified agreement in principle to a regula-

respects.

While respecting their needs for preserving their fish stocks and their conservation programme, which the Community might envy, they could nevertheless be expected to reach agreement which would avoid an abrupt decline in the traditional activity of EEC fishermen in Iceland waters. This the Icelanders had neither refused nor accepted. una laying down certain interim As to the internal regime, although considerable progress had been made last night, the Council was not yet able formally to con-firm its agreement on certain points due to the reservations of one delegation.

Agreement in principle had been reached on a ban on herring fixaling in the North Sea in March and April. Before that period expired the Council would decide what to do about herrings in the North Sea during the rest of the year.

In the Celtic Sea it had been agreed to increduce a ban on herring fishing from March 1 to the nor accepted.

The point had been reached where he made it clear to the leelandic Government that he had relationship between Iceland and the Community, he felt entitled to an answer based on the general considerations to which he had

ring fishing from March 1 to une and of the year. Restrictions on the use of small mesh nots would be gradually introduced and there was of some economic value, but that reached with Canada was of would be a close examination of the use of purse seines 'a special kind of nets. even greater economic value. li was agreed that formal agree-ment on these points should be taken next Monday or Tuesday when ministers of agriculture were They had to develop a coherent internal policy. There had to be conservation measures which cut down activity. If that was to be done, there had to be equality of sacrifice with preference given to those areas most dependent on fishing. The necessary limitations would more likely be accepted if when ministers of agriculture were to meet in Brussels.

However, the quota level still had to he resolved. It was agreed that a high level group of experts should be set up to look at all the aspects of the dishurles regulate.

Mr Neils Koloed (Denmark, Lineald the kind to this the Same based on a system of quotas backed by licences. To the surprise of many, much

had been agreed within the Con-cii. Last night's meeting indicated the readiness on the part of the Council of Ministers to follow the was becoming a scarce commodity, and he did not see fish flying the Danish flag or a Union Jack. Fish Danish flag or a Union lack. Fig. 1 Commission's lead on the necessary would not respect limits, whether ary steps towards a common fish-down zones, these had to be Hague last autumn was a break-

lishment of a coh fisheries policy.

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Close watch on ta certificate scheme

Mr Nicholas Ridley, for the Opposition (Cirencester and Tewkesbury, C), opening a debate on the Issue of tax exemption certificates for the self-employed, said these certificates were issued to self-employed sub-contractors and other firms of sub-contractors so that they could be need stops. that they could be paid gross rather than have 35 per cent deducted from what they received. The Opposition did not condone tax evasion. But why should these

tax evasion. But why should these draconian measures to enforce tax respectability be concentrated upon builders? He would not mind seeing these certificates for accountants.

This was becoming a kicence to work. The 35 per cent deduction left on inadequate amount. The man who was on his own, if he did not get a certificate, was likely to go out of business, and the 35 per cent deduction made no sense cent deduction made no sense whatsoever in relation to a company. He simply did not know how a company could be expected to be paid 65 per cent of what it was owed and pay its wages, tax and materials and the whole of its out-

goings.
The arbitrary way in which ins-The arbitrary way in which inspectors were beltaving was unjustifiable in a democratic country. It was monstrous that on "say so" of an inspector, people could be refused a living. Of those who applied for a certificate, 23,000 had been refused and 55,000 had not had an answer. The distress and dislocation caused was inextuiable. The scheme was due to start on April 5.

He urged the Government to declare a moratorium on the scheme, at least until these applications had been dealt with.

Mr Paul Dean (North Somerset, C)

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Mr Paul Dean (North Somerset, C)
said the only thing to do was to
withdraw the scheme until the
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introduce something else.

Mr Geraint Howells (Cardigan, L)

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The problem with the fund is that there are other great country houses, more significant than Mentmore, which may be offered to the nation in the same way. It is difficult. It is a question of priorities as well as finance. Whether it comes out of the fund or not public spending and the Government are committed to keeping that down Lady Young, for the Opposition—Would she not agree that Meanmore House is part of the national heritage and would be enormously appreciated by thousands of members of the public? Are we not concerned that a part of that heritage should go to overseas buyers?

pensante yarr to may in improving the pusent standing of industry by collaborating with employers in in-creasing the rate at which cools and services were produced.

He had been sorry to see the effect of the recent Government statement on the Bullock report on industrial democracy, which had damaged still further the morale of industrial management. industrial management.

Lord Carr of Hadley (C), for the Opposition, said the first responsibility of management was to make profits, but at the same time industry must make clear that profits were the means to an end and not the end itself. It was only by making profits that enterprise had

five years salaries awarded to people in central and local government wildly exceeded salaries for their contemporaries with equiva-lent qualifications working in in-

That imbalance had never hap-pened before and now that it had there must be no surprise at the consequences. Lord Annan (Ind) said that one of the bad signs was the way to which industry employed brains. It had itself to blame for not realizing that when somebody went from a university or polytechnic he was rained to rhink in industrial of commercial terms.

any social progress.

Lord Regan said that it was often said that productivity was low ment was that they collaboration with about they give more than 40 minutes in every hour?

Lord Alexander of Potterhill said the recognition of particular studies of a strictly academic value would make a great commerce with studies of a strictly academic value would make a great commerce with studies of a strictly academic value would make a great committee stage.

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Ireland are to go limited unilateral protect fish stocks ors of the EEC's after failing to get ity backing for s at a marathon EC foreign mini-nded in Brussels

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will enforce a e fishing of Nor-prescribed area til the end of ually thereafter season running to March 31. the Danes, who intities of pout, to reduce the e ban will apply hat Mr Crosland ed as the "ex-No Comus possible. t, the Irish are

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to 80 per cent of the average level over the previous three of progress on the basis of progress on the basis of existing proposals.

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While these proposals were found inadequate in certain respects by Dr FitzGerald, the Irish Foreign Minister, they were considered by some other states to be too restrictive.

In justification of their actions, both Britain and Ireland have invoked the agreement reached by the EEC foreign ministers at The Hague last year, which allows for the termination of the state of the temporary and non-discriminatory " conservation measures to be taken unilaterally by member states.

While they could not meet all the British and Irish demands last night, the foreign ministers were able to establish a substantial degree of agreement on a variety of conserva-tion measures, including restirctions on the type and mesh size of nets and the banning of the fishing of herring in the North and Celtic sees for specified

The tentative agreement is, however, subject to an overall Danish reservation. The Danes are in a difficult situation because they face general elections next week.

It is thought that they could not at this juncture be seen to be acquiescing in a Community agreement damaging to their fishermen and may find it politically easier to accent the force majeure of British unilateral action.

The hope in Brussels is that the Danish reservation will be lifted at next week's meeting of ministers of agriculture. there is no agreement at that meeting, however, the British and Irish will almost certainly decide to take further unilateral action.

the meantime. ministers have asked a group of experts to examine the whole question of revising the comn Irish waters mon fisheries policy. It is now

Existing proposals.

The group is authorized to examine all the possible elements in a system for regulating the joint exploitation of the EEC's fish stocks, including catch quotas, licences for fishing vessels, conservation measures and exclusive coastal belts.

David Cross writes from Luxembourg: The tentative agreement on fish conservation measures was today halled as an important breakthrough by Mc Gundelach, the European commissioner for fisheries and agriculture.

He told the European Parliament in Luxembourg that it marked the beginning of the establishment of a coherent fisheries policy.

Tomlinson, Mr Tominson, Under-Secretary of State at the British Poreign Office and acting presi-dent of the Council of Ministers, agreed that "con-siderable progress" had been made. However, the ministers had not yet been able formally to adopt the conservation measures because of continuing reservations by one member

In his statement to the Parliament, Mr Gundelach made clear the Commission's opposition opposition to unilatera measures by the British and unilateral Irish governments. The positive results of last night's meeting, he said, should persuade mem-ber states of the inadvisability of acting unilaterally under the Hague agreement. The right to introduce unilateral measures could be used only in special circumstances and after due consultation

In a clear warning to Britain and Ireland, Mr Gundelach said infringed these principles, then the Commission would have to assume its responsibilities as the custodian of the Community's treaties.

partly by grants from member states and partly by private

states and partly by private funds. The foundation would

promote either directly or

through existing bodies any measures which will help towards greater understanding of European aims, placing the emphasis on human contracts.

When nearly 100 ministers are deducted from the total of 635 MPs at Westminster, it

next few days. That is a rare event for an early day motion,

and the Government could not

isnore such weight of all-party opinion.

Similar motions have been carried by the central council of the European League for

Economic Cooperation, the Mouvement Gauche Europeene,

and the federal committee of the Union of European

Federalists.

Yesterday, Mr Rippon sent a
cable to the president of the
European Parliament, now in

plenary session, inviting the

clear that Mr Rippon and his colleagues are on the way to carrying more than half the House of Commons within the

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Giscard view of power attacked by left and right

From Charles Hargrove Paris, Feb 9

President Giscard d'Estaing's warning, in his fighting speech at Ploermel in Brittany last night, that he would not allow night, that he would not allow his authority as head of state to be questioned, or the unity of the Majority to be undermined by discord has provoked sharp reactions from both his supporters and the Opposition.

M. Georges Marchais, the Communist leader, who had said a few days ago that in the event of a left wing victory he would have to "submit or resign", repeated today that if M Giscard d'Estaing regarded the common programme of the

M Giscard d'Estaing regarded the common programme of the left as incompatible with his policy, he would have to resign. He did not question the authority of the President, but M Giscard d'Estaing had to stick to the powers he held under the constitution. To submit is anoty the constitution that to apply the constitution, that is to say appoint a prime minister from the new majority, whose task it will be to form

a government."

M Jacques Chirac, who was not mentioned by the President by name, declared today that he did not feel at all concerned the President's statement that he would not allow the success of the Barre plan to be undermined by divisions, undermined by "divisions, noise and agiration" and that in order to win the parliamentary elections, the Majority must remain "organized".

The former Prime Minister and Gaullist leader emphasized that his action was entirely in agreement with the institutions f the Fifth Republic and beneficial to the Majority as a whole. "Everyone sees this; everyone knows this," M Chirac said on the radio.

He refused to comment on

the President's speech, or argue with the head of He also refused "to contem-plate a victory of the left in the next elections; and it is because I do so that I created Rassemblement " Chirac's Gaullist movement]. This is the issue on which he

is fundamentally at odds with the President, who repeated

mayoral elections looming large in a Paris street. again last night that in the event of a victory of the left next year, he would remain in miership last August. office, and continue to ensure the defence of the institutions of the Fifth Republic and the

A poster announcing M Jacques Chirac's candidature in the

protection of individual liber-

he had insisted on it last spring, and was one of the reasons for

in his reactions than M It remains to be seen whether M Chirac will take up the role which the President solemnly conferred on his successor, M Marchais. Barre, of coordinating the campaign of the Majority for the 1978 elections. This role had been refused to M Chirac when

M Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, who is being suspected by both the Communists and the Gaullists, of complicity with

He said that if the left won. political leaders would have to show "wisdom" in order to avoid France footing the bill of agitation and disorder.
I do not approach this subject by refusing to grant from the outset the President the capacity to be reasonable ".

the President, was more moder-

Spain establishes ties with Soviet Union

From Harry Debelius Madrid, Feb 9.

Followers of the late General Franco saw red here today when they learnt that the Government had not only opened the door to legalization of the Spanish Communist Party but had established full diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union.

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Their anger grew when they also heard that the leaders of communist parties from other European countries are planning to meet in Madrid by the end of this month, with the secretary general of the Spanish Communist Party, Señor Santi-ago Carrillo, in the chair.

Some observers in Madrid wonder if the granting of legal "respectability" to Spain's Communists may not result in new and stronger efforts from the right to block the democratic reform programme, to which Señor Adolfo Suárez, the Prime Minister, is committed. Long before the latest developments there were determined nuclei of resistance in the armed forces and the security police.

An announcement simultaneously in Madrid and Moscow this morning said that Spain and the Soviet Union now have full diplomatic rela-tions, for the first time since Franco's victory in the Spanish civil war in 1939. Within an hour, Spain had also established fuli relations with Hungary and Czechoslovakia.

The only East European-countries with which Spain does not now have relations are Albania, outside the Soviet poli-tical orbit, and East Germany, which broke off relations with Spain in 1975 when the Errope

Spain in 1975 when the Franco regime executed four left-wing extremists.

Madrid, Feb 9.—The agreement with the Soviet Union did not mention the controversial

not mention the controversial issue of the Spanish gold reserves, worth about £1,235m, shipped to Russia in 1936 by the Republican Government. The gold, weighing 510 tonnes, represented 60 per cent of the Bank of Spanis's reserves.

Spanish officials said that the Madrid Government had not renounced its claim to the gold and this could be more gold and this could be more easily pursued with the normalization of relations.

But political observers said that Spain's egreement to establish diplomatic ties without settling the gold issue was an important concession. Spain had in the past posed the return of the gold as a con-

dition. The Russians have maintained that the gold was largely spent on armaments sent to the Spanish Republican side during

the Civil War. Soviet sources in Madrid have also said that some of the gold was used to pay for damage done by the Spanish Blue Division of volunteers who fought in Russia alongside German troops during the Second World War.—Reuter.

Lawyers make Daoud protest

Paris, Feb 9.—French lawyers and magistrates today criticized the Government for its haste last month in releasing Abu Daoud, alleged organizer of the Palestinian attack on Israeli athletes at the Munich Games.

Thirty leading representa-tives of the legal profession deplored the "baste under which Government asked a court to meet and decide upon the (extradition) requests sub-mitted by the German and Israeli Governments."

Mr Daoud was briefly detained in Paris until a French court ordered his release. Marlene Dietrich sues for libel

Munich, Feb 9.—Marlene Dietrich, the film actress, aged 75, is suing Uli Lommel, a West German film director, for libel over his latest film, Adolf and Marlene, it was learnt here today.

movie showed her meeting Adolf Hitler during the Second World War. In the film Dr Josef Goebbels, the Propagands Minister, goes to London to persuade the Berlin-born actress to return to the Third Reich. She then goes to a secret rendezvous with Hitler, according to the film.—Agence France-Presse.

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By Our Political Editor
Mr Crosland, the Foreign
Secretary and president of the
EEC Council of Ministers, has
written to two senior Europeanists at Westminster confirming that he will place on the Council's agenda a proposal for a European foundation as recommended by Mr Tindemans, the Belgian Prime Minister, in his report on European integration, to mark the twentieth anniversary on March 25 of the signing of the Rome Treary.

Mr Geoffrey Rippon, who negotiated Britain's entry into the EEC, initiated the proposal at Westminster, and went to European capitals to enlist support for it. He has been strongly supported by Sir Geoffrey de Freitas on the Labour side of

Mr Rippon commented to me last night: "You see what can be started by one letter in The be started by one letter in The Times." [Mr Rippon's letter suggesting the setting up of the foundation was published on January 17]

The Foreign Secretary's letter to Mr Rippon and Sir Geoffrey states that the question of a European foundation is firmly on the agenda for study during

on the agenda for study during Eritain's presidency, and the Commission has been asked to report on it. The Council of Ministers would take the eventual decision.

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From Our Correspondent

strikes hit

The Hague, Feb 9

Parliament's support and urging that pressure be applied to the European Commission "to act without delay in bringing their report before the Council of Ministers." Avalanche cuts Zermatt's only railway line

From Our Correspondent

Geneva, Feb 9 An avalanche near Tasch station cut the mountain rail-way to Zermatt this afternoon, burying it under 30ft of snow and ice at one point. Teams with bulldozers and

dustrial strife for 35 years, strikes and stoppages continue to cripple big sectors of Dutch industry and threaten to develop into a general strike next week.

The Government has told Parliament that it had no intention of interfering in the present conflict, which is centred on union demands for wages automatically increased as the cost of living rises.

The strikes have already stopped all Dutch-run ferry services to Britain. Discussions will be held tonight by KLM ground staff to consider whether airline services will also be involved. Printing union strikes have already affected several weekly and provincial papers. Next week, if no agreement is reached, several leading daily papers will be unable to appear, and radio and television stoppages snow-clearing machinery hoped to have the line reopened within hours. The snow cover in the Matterborn area is said to be unusually heavy.
On the Italian side of the

Alps, the winter resort of Macugnaga has been isolated from the valley by a landslip on the sole access road. It may not be reopened until Saturday. Part of the landslip hit a tourist bus with 20 people, crushing the rear of the vehicle. An Italian youth was taken to hospital.

Royal visit to China

The Hague, Feb 9.-Crown Princess Beatrix of The Netherlands and her husband, Prince Claus, will visit China from May 3 to 18.

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the whole :hest signifie Euro-Arab ably the Palestinian case, in an attempt menlist European support. With the climate for new negotiations in the Middle East warming up, it is likely that the Arabs will press hard at Tunis for renewed European backing. Arab e de, ing is politic, and like as the twain

the European Community summit meeting in Copenhagen in 1973. Three Arab emissaries suddenly arrived and demanded to be heard. This was just at the beginning of the oil crisis and the Europeans, who were in a state of complete disarray, feet obliged to respond as hest felt obliged to respond as best they could. And from this uncertain start grew the Euro-Arab dialogue, designed to keep the two sides in touch.

The Arab side has striven to bring in political questions, not-

ably the Palestinian case, in

The European Community, which is permanently concerned about oil supplies, is anxious to be helpful. But it cannot commit its members to basic questions of politics at the meeting of the meeting of the supplier of the meeting of the supplier of the supplier. ing, even if it wished to. It can only take up positions which have previously been agreed by all the nine govern-

What the Europeans want is to pursue economic cooperation, though this too is not altogether practical because economic matters are by and large dealt with directly becountries concerned While the dialogue thus circles around the subject, probably the most anxious onlooker will be outside it all—Israel.

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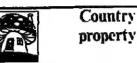
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OVERSEAS. **European Communist**

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Moscow, Feb 9

General Pyotr Grigorenko.

the well-known dissident, has

addressed an appeal to Euro-

pean communist leaders to

urge the Soviet leaders to free

his fellow dissidents, Mr Alex-

ander Ginsburg, and Mr Mikola Rudenko, both writers. He also

asked them to call for an end

to repression of the human

rights movement and an am-

He noted that pressure from

communist leaders had already

secured the release of political

prisoners in Spain, Paraguay and Chile. The Soviet Covern-

ment had never declared a

political amnesty talthough

many thousands were freed from labour camps after Sta-

General Grigorenko claimed

that communists were perse-

cuted in the Soviet Union as

much as in any fascist country

and that anyone who criticized the leadership was subject to

arrest.

General Grigorenko was arrested in May, 1969 in Tashkent where he had gone to champion the cause of the Crimean Tartars, who were agitating for the right to return to their homeland from which they were deported in 1944 accused of collaborating with the German invaders. He was committed to psychiatric

was committed to psychiatric clinics and eventually released in September, 1973.

Our Foreign Staff writes: The

Royal College of Psychiatry at

its quarterly meeting in Lon-don today unanimously passed a resolution which reiterated

irs condemnation of what it

claims is Soviet misuse of psy-chiatry for the suppression of

lin's death).

nesty for political prisoners.

Vladimir Borisov, a dissident, and again urged the release of After an offensive which has Dr Semyon Gluzman, a Soviet psychiatrist arrested in 1972 for protesting against the in-ternment of dissidents in psy-

Charles Hargrove writes from Paris: Mr Vladimir Bukovsky, the Soviet biologist released through violence. President Videla declared at from Russia in December in exchange for Senor Luis Corvalan, the Chileun Communist leader, said today he was determined to sut mit to Unesco and to the International Commission on Human Rights in General documents

seriously hurt."
Military officers privately cstimate that the guerrillas sustained 4,000 losses in 1976: on the violation of these rights "I absolutely insist on being desernous, or an heard," he told the Anglo-American press luucheon.

These international organizastrength.

tions by their attitude so far 1,000 guerrillas were still active on January 1 and 100 bear a moral responsibility for the crimes and violations of human rights which take place counter-offensive evidently Prague, Feb 9.—A visit to Czechoslowskia by one of Mr sence proved short-lived.

Brezhner's close assistants led to speculation today that Moscow was worried about the Charter 77 human rights campaign here.
Mr Ivan Kapitonov, a party secretary, arrived yesterday and was expected to stay until Friday or Saturday. Neither the Czechoslovak Communist Party nor the Soviet Embassy wished to say much about the

risit.

The Kremlin sent another; party secretary. Mr Mikhail Amyanin, to Warsaw last December when the Polish Communist Party appeared to experience internal problems .-

Reuter. Leading article. page 17

detention in hospital of Mr

chiatric hospitals.

in Russia.

in the Soviet Union."

Carter good news ignored

Mr Milovan Djilas, a former | with the leader in whom they

Washington, Feb 9 President Carter is accorded near-rupturous reception in

the American press today for his very adept and lucid mass conference performance yesterday. However, virtually all important newspapers, in concentrating on Mr Carter's admit-tedly fascinating elaborations of nuclear weapons policy, have managed to miss entirely his one piece of encouraging news This was his virtual com-

mendation, amid the assertions

Djilas appeal

human rights

leader of the Yugoslav Com

munist Party, yesterday appealed to West European Communist parties to use their

good offices in persuading the Yugoslav Government to

respect human rights in the

In an interview with foreign correspondents, Mr Djilas said

he was making the appeal in connexion with the session of the United Nations commission

on human rights in Geneva, which opened on Monday. Mr

Alexander Borrhovic, the Yugoslav representative, was chosen as chairman of the

It would be as well if Mr Borzhovic were to be acquainted with some of the

conditions in his own country, Mr Djilas stated, adding that on a proportional basis, Yugos-lavia was now holding in prison as many political pri-

He recalled that during his career as a Communist revolu-

rionary in the 1930s, he was frequently arrested by the Yugoslav monarchist police,

and was imprisoned by them for three years. But never dur-

ing the peak of repression under the monarchy were there as many sentenced polit-

ical prisoners in Yugoslavia as

there are today.

In the course of the inter-

view he strongly applauded the

support being extended on all sides to the signaturies of Charter 77 in Czechoslovakia. "At the same time, I hope that conditions in Yugoslavia are not ignored", he said.

In the late 1960s there were virtually no political prisoners in Yugoslavia but siene 1971.

in Yugoslavia, but since 1971, everything had changed, he

But he added: "I want to emphasize that I have no sym-pathy for terrorists, for anyone

advocating the separation by violence of any part of the Yugoslav Federation, or for

spies."-New York Times News

over Washington

Moscow, Feb 9.—Tass news agency today accused the United

States of violating the Helsinki agreements on security and co-

operation by expelling one of

its correspondents from Wash-

ington. It said Mr Vladimir

Alexeyev had been ordered out of the United States "without

any justification whatsoever". When ordering Mr Alexeyev's

expulsion at the weekend, the expulsion at the weekend, the State Department said the move was being taken in response to the expulsion from Moscow of, Mr George Krimsky, a cor-

respondent of the Associated

The Tass report made no ref-

erence to Mr Krimsky, who was accused of violating currency regulations. He has denied the

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Tass protests

expulsion

soners as the Soviet Union.

to West on

From Malcolm Browne

Beigrade, Feb 9

meeting.

Yugoslav

out about human rights, for the increase in Jewish emigration permitting in recent hs. Given that there are months. more Jewish Americans in New York than Jews in Israel, it is remarkable that The New York Times failed (except in the transcript text of the press conference) to give its readers this encouraging news.

The number of Jewish emi-

grants passing through Vienna is reckoned by experts here to have risen to 1,800 a month the average of 1,200 a month earlier in the year.

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Not a man amongst us denies

the role played by certain personalities in leading our

people through tears and blood from a colonial country to independence. But this tender independence of Togo

was formal and minimal and

certain people thought they alone were responsible and they used the country as if it

was their personal property.

Everyone knows that before

President Eyadema a privi-leged minority formed an oligarchy which ruled the state

and made the imperative tasks

of economic and social devel-

opment a secondary considera-

tion. In fact the country was

the first Togolese President had been the architect. He

was the victim of a situation

that he had created for him-self. He failed while different

patriotic and dynamic beliefs fermented at the grassroots.

The population showed itself

totally indifferent when his downfall took place as was

revealed in the international press at the time. History is a grave yard of men of state who have failed in their

who have failed in their mission. The Togolese people wanted to go in a different direction

and they wanted other men to

guide them. But it was not an

eusy task to take over from a collapsed regime. In a phrase.

everything had to be done and redone and done better still. Our budget was 3,500 million

CFA francs. Foreign share-holders owned 99% of the Compagnie Togolaise des Mines du Benin; endemic

disease and malnutrition rav-

aged our countryside; com-

munications were non-existent or almost unusable and the

peasants were reduced to hopelessness and destitution.

And at the top, a rapacious and niggardly aristocracy, re-

joiced in clan rivalry, low

politics, regionalism, favourit-

ism, nepotism and extortion

and was incapable of summon-

ing an ounce of national good-

The interior of the country

was left to fend for itself.

that is to say it was abandoned

in its misery. It was necessary

to face up to the real danger

of economic chaos and to

reunite the ranks of the Togo-

lese people and give them confidence in their destiny as

In 1967, when General Eyadema took power, one of his

first decisions was to liberate the political detainees and to

invite the exiles to return to

Togo. All returned to their country of birth and their

rights were restored. Many of

them went back to political posts which they occupied before and which they still hold today, this is something that would have been impos-

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a free people.

Buenos Aires hopes to eliminate insurgency

Heavy losses oblige Argentine help Soviet dissidents | guerrillas to change tactics

Buenos Aires, Feb 9

sometimes reached the intensity if not the scale of a total Argentina's military rulers believe they are close to victory over the left-wing guerrillas who for eight years have tried to promote revolution

Christmas that his forces were very close to military victory. The armed wing of the enemy practically annihilated, or

1,600 dead or captured and mated 80 per cent of their This implies that less than

more were reported killed during the month. A new year tended to reassert their pre-Artacks on military convoys

and police stations were beaten off, in one case by a helicopter gunship. Their losses were reported as 94 dead in two weeks. Shortly afterwards. Señor Mario Firmenich, leader of the neo-Peronist Montoneros, had his first narrow escape from capture.

Many of his regional com-manders have fallen. The Mon-

toneros have taken the brust of the fighting since July when the death of Senor Roberto Santucho, leader of the Marxist-Leninist People's Revolutionary Army, resulted in the virtual eclipse of the other main guerrilla group.

At this rate the military will probably be plauming to mop up the guerrillas this year, though warnings have been tinue until the last insurgent has been eliminated. There is no way of checking the official head counts as the

develops into action develops into an apparent rout, sometimes almost a slaughter. Night patrols have recently reported killing up to 10 guerrillas at a time who were caught simply painting subversive wall slo-gans. Army communiqués, telling of fierce clashes, almost invariably out the score at 10 guerrillas dead for every military casualty. The reported guerrilla losses are heavy

TOGO CELEBRATES TEN YEAR

OF PROGRESS

His Excellency General Gnassingbe Byadema, President of the Republic of Togo.

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sible 15 years ago. The last

date on which our exiled brothers were invited back

was on January 23, 1974, the

ere of the imperialist assassi-

nation attempt against our

and we sing when we want

to express our joy and our

misery. Perhaps that is why ours is an oral civilisation?

But this animation is never to be confused with deifica-

tion. The great celebration in

Togo was not because General Eyadema wanted it, but be-

cause it expressed for us the

very essence of our life.

Everyone knows, particularly

those who are familiar with

our African folklore and cul-

ture, that when an orator at a meeting says something good, we don't applaud him but we sing a little to acknowledge

This might not please cer-

tain strangers, but it is a way of life that we intend to safe-guard. We think that in Togo each people has the right to

live according to his beliefs,

his history and his culture and

what is important today is not the denigration of other cul-tures, but the exchange and

fruitful dialogue between civilisations to ensure progress

and Deace between all people.

In Africa our dancing, sing-ing and tam-tams with their

his wit or his insight.

Here in Africa we dance

Head of State.

pulsing rhythms uplift our hearts for the liberation

If our country battles for

the future of the Economic

Community of West African States, this is not because we want any special prestige from it. It is because this is in line

with an ideal that is dear to all Africans: the ideal of Afri-

can unity for which we have fought for years and in which we have been opposed by cer-

this ideal will be realised because 250 million Africans

All serious experts and ob-

ervers unanimously recognise

the instalment of the head-quarters of the ECOWAS

munity.

The Togo of the New Market is nothing like the Togo of yesterday. Under President Eyadema we have definitely

turned our backs on the past

and all attempts to sow dis-cord in the ranks of our peoples can only be doomed

to failure because the people are loyal to their leaders.

One of the rare merits of our

people is to know how to re-cognise the intrinsic value of

political men. We follow Pre-

rain European factions.

believe in it.



close to military victory.'

enough, and the military casualties negligible enough, to make the insurgents appear in-competent or suicidal, or both. General Videla has begun

hroader problems of national reconstruction. He says that "basic order" has been reestablished after 10 months of military rule, and that a new stage of "consolidation and creation" is beginning. This will include the overhaul of national institutions before a final stage of national reconstruction leads to an eventual return of democratic rule. The Government has also

tentatively begun brushing up its human rights record. Since s team of Amnesty International visited Argentina last November arbitrary detention orders against 1,800 people have been lifted. Some of the detained have been handed over to the courts. Reports of killings by right-wing death squads vanished in December.

begun of captive guerrillas, with stiff sentences but no penalties. There also been some acquittals. The former Peronist Government freed all guerrillas held in civil jails in 1973, but the military are holding on to them this time.

Abductions, arbitrary deten-tion and allegations of torture continue, and the Government still refuses to disclose the numbers of prisoners. The press has been recently barred would prefer a n from using the term "war", personality as pre-



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From Fred Emery

A direct Concorde service from London to Texas is being offered under a leasing agreement between British Airways

and Braniff Airlines, an import-ant American carrier. The

agreement is to be signed in Dallas, Texas tomorrow with

British Airways represented by Mr Gordon Davidson, its Director of Concorde Opera-

Mr Tim Stevens, British Airways manager for the eastern United States, confirmed this to me here. A similar agreement offering "through service" by Concorde from Paris to Dallas is to be signed by Braniff with Air France. The proposed news service, which has been under consideration for some time, is

which has been under consideration for some time, is certain to be held up by the authorization process. But it is see nby Concorde's Anglo-French makers and operators as a boost for the controversial

supersonic airliner which so far is permitted to fly only to Dulles airport outside Washing-

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Soweto police impose curfew in school hours to stop riots

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, Feb 9
South African riot police, faced with renewed disturbances in the black townships of Soweto, are to enforce a special curfew during school hours tomorrow to keep young demonstrators in their class-rooms.

Brigadier Jan Visser, the Soweto police chief, said tonight that young people found on the streets between 8 am and 3 pm tomorrow would not be considered as students and considered as students and police had been ordered to be "tough" with them.

Brigadier Visser said so far

forgadier Visser said so far police had kept a promise not to enter school premises, but that if the trouble continued they might be forced to shoot. Today police repeatedly used tear gas and baton charges, but not firearms, to disperse crowds of up to 6,000 chanting youngsters who hunt schoolbooks sters who burnt schoolbooks and stoned schools and cars. For several days student activists have been trying to enforce a total boycott of school examinations to rein-

force their protest against the Bantu education system and their demand that equal education for all races be introduced

At one stage today riot police faced 6,000 chanting jeering pupils, a situation that would have caused the bullets to fly a few months ago. They used tear gas to disperse about 4,000 students who burned textbooks outside a school in the Meadowlands district. Other units baton-charged a crowd of about 2,000 at the Orlando High

There were no official reports of injuries but there have been some arrests. internationally-known African newspaper photographers, Mr Peter Magubane and Mr Alf Khumalo, were detained. Mr Magubane, who was detained for several months last year, was recently awarded one of South Africa's top journalism awards for his coverage of the Soweto riors last wear. Soweto riots last year.

Police confirmed that in schools in the Soweto districts of Naledi Orlando, Madibane and Pimville, students burned their text-books rather than sit examinations. In Atteridgeville, near Pretoria, a boycott of classes by over 900 pupils con-

The main targets of unrest appeared to be Soweto schools where some pupils ignored the boycott and attempted to sit examinations. At Orlando High School, 2,000 chanting young-sters sathered outside the building as the day's work started. As riot police charged, the youths scattered, some diving

through the open windows of classrooms, others clambering over the six-foot high security fence around the premises.
Earlier, Mr J. L. Strydom,
a white educational official, entered the classrooms where 500

pupils were trying to write their examinations and told them not to let themselves be intimidated by outsiders. His appeal could hardly be heard as a barrage of stones and rocks burled by the demonstrators outside rained on the roof.

Photographers were also threatened by the mob. Soweto

demonstrators are now wary of facing cameras, after news-paper photographs were exam-ined by the police during the past eight months and used as part of the operation of round-



Some of a crowd of 4,000 schoolchildren burning textbooks in Soweto yesterday before being dispersed by riot police.

Prison hunger strike inquiry refused in Israel

A television cameraman, filming for the BBC, had his car stoned. As he drove away a hefty rock shattered the windscreen and bounced off the crash helmet he had taken the precaution to wear.

The police restraint so far is

clearly due to the knowledge that a major incident in Soweto could set off rioting in tense black townships throughout In Cape Town, the authorities are dealing with a delicate to various homelands.

The majority of children were not prepared to have their the authorities in Cape Town and prepared to have their education where officials are situation where officials are issuing eviction notices to thousands of squatters in a shanty town on the city's outskirts.

Although the wretched con-ditions provide a justification for the evictions, most of the squatters stand little chance of

Soweto provided a spark.
In Johannesburg tonight, Mr
Jaap Strydom, regioned director
for Bantu Education, said the examinations and preparation for examinations would con-tinue.

are aware it is a situation political activists could readily take advantage of if shooting in Soweto provided a spark.

Soweto provided a spark.

Soweto provided a spark. Mr Strydom spoke in Afri-kaans, the enforced use of

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ne rini details will be announced tomorrow, but it is understood here that the present daily supersonic London-Dulles flight will be extended, at subsonic speeds (commercial supersonic flight over land is banned here) to Dallas with Braniff operating that segment. The airlines will claim a sav-ing of six and a half hours, or

roughly 50 per cent over the London-Dallas subsonic journey. But a more accurate com-parison is with taking a con-ventional connecting flight with the present Concorde service from Washington. With Concords service from Washington. With Concords flying Dallas-Dulles at approximately mach 0.95 (just below the speed of sound), the time saving would be 15 per cent, or roughly 20 minutes saved for the whole journey.

The great advantage to page

saved for the whole journey.

The great advantage to passengers flying to Britain, however, would be to stay in their seats all the way. Flying west, passengers would have to disembark at Dules for American

customs and immigration.
Our United States Economics
Editor writes: The new Concorde flight proposal may add a further complication to the difficult commercial airline route negotiations now taking place between the British and American authorities. These centre on renewal of the Bermuda agreement that governs transatiantic schedules and under which the British are now seeking better terms for their

airlines. In addition, numerous American airlines have sought new routes to London, notably Delta Airlines and National Airlines. Both Delta and National are likely to oppose the new Concorde route to Dallas as this could undoubtedly weaken the profitability of their own route proposals to London.

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lence and sex on television. The Church of God, based in Nashville, Tennessee, has also called for a week's boycott, to begin on April 11

Mr Widmon says that more than 1,000 churches, synagagoues and civic associations, representing different denominations throughout the United States, have promised support for his boycott. Church members sit in front

of television sets end press at button linked to a computer when there is an instance of violence or illicit sex. They have concluded that the situation has deteriorated in recent

side marriage. He estimates that by the time a child leaves high school it has seen 18,000 murders on relevision.

Cosmonauts set for long stay in space

Moscow, Feb 9.-Colone Viktor Gorbatko and Lieu-tenant Colonel Yuri Glazkov coday transferred to the Soviet today transferred to the Soviet Union's orbiting Salyut 5 space station and looked set for a long stay in space. Last night they successfully docked their Soyuz 24 ferry vehicle which was launched from Baikonur, Kazakhstan, on Monday.

News of the transfer, some 150 miles above the Earth's surface, was given by the official Soviet news agency Tass.

cial Soviet news agency Tass.
It said the cosmonauts will continue research and experiments started by the team from Sbyuz 21 last summer. Mr Wildmon maintains that in a recent week, 90 per cent of the sexual incidents shown on television involved sex outside and biological experiments and biological research, believed so involve the growing of plants, fish and other creatures in conditions of

From Eric Marsden Jerusalem, Feb 9

The Knesset yesterday rejected a demand for an inquiry into the mass hunger strike at Ashkelon jail by about 380 Arab prisoners, which began on December 11 and lasted for six weeks until it was broken up by the transfer of the prisoners to

It was the most serious demonstration of protest by prisoners in Israel's history. Allegations of ill-treatment and flouting of human rights were made by Arab leaders in the West Bank and by Israeli law-yers who had clients in Ashko-lon. The refusal of an inquiry means that these allegations will remain unchecked.

A proposal for an inquiry into the killing of a prisoner and the wounding of another in Beersheba jail last week was referred by the Knesset to committee. The two are said to have been stabbed by fellow Arabs for collaborating with the authorities. Mr Hillel, the more beds into the cells. In Mrs Tsemel said that for 10 toning good food and the opportunity of the prisoners at Ashkelon prisoners at Ashkelon to the prisoners at Ashkelon to the prisoners at Ashkelon to the opportunity to study.

question of whether the death one square metre of living had had neither beds nor mat-penalty should be carried out space each. tresses and had to sleep on for such offences, pointing out that there were about 250 pri-soners serving life sentences who had nothing to lose.

Israel has not responded openly to the recent complaint by the International Committee for the Red Cross that its call for measures to end over-crowding and improve prison facilities had not been met. But Mr Haim Levi, the new commissioner of prisons, commissioner of prisons, addressing a meeting of prison officers last weekend, acknowledged that the jails were overcrowded "beyond reason" as a result of the sharp increase in the number of prisoners from the occupied areas.

Prisoners in Israel, he said; had an average living space of 2.2 square metres, compared with 11.3 square metres in the United States and 16 square metres in Holland, New pri-

Last year the prison populaston grew by 777 to 5,852, of cells. After Red Cross repression 3,227 were security prisonal security prisonal

cluding building a new one for 100 to 150 people and room for an extra 80 each at Hebron and Jemin. It also is reported that negislation is planned to provide separate accommoda-tion for young offenders. These measures can only

have a minor palliative effect on a situation which an Israeli advocate, Mrs Leah Tsemel, describes as horrifying. She told me that the pri-soners denied that they were

soners. of thin foam which were not Mr Levi gave details of enough to keep out the cold plans to expand prisons, in from the floor. Others had for only blankets. Each cell had between 20 and 30 prisoners who had to use it to sleep, eat, wash, and

go to the lavatory. As a result the stench was overpowering. Many prisoners complained that they had ulcers and were suffering from mainutrition Mrs. Tsemel claimed that some prisoners had been dis-

She told me that the pri- abled by intensive interroga-soners denied that they were tion processes" and had not demanding immediate recogni-tion as political detainees, as their ailments. "There are stated by Mr Hillel, and were men who are paralysed, blind stated by Mr Hillel, and were men who are paralysed, blind seeking only improvement in and a few are mentally unbal-food and conditions. They anced as a result of the inter-

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diately known whether the man was already dead when struck. Montreal police said there was no reason to suspect negligence on the Premier's part, and confirmed yesterday that he would face no charges.

The accident occurred as Mr Levesque and Miss Corinne Cote, his personal secretary, were driving home from a

Mr Levesque said a man ou the road was waving his arms. When he swerved to avoid him, he saw another man lying on the road. Police said he slammed on his brakes but had difficulty stopping because of the slippery road conditions.

An autopsy performed on Monday showed that the victim died from a fractured skull, but he suffered a number of other fractures and a cerebral haemorrhage as well.

According to the autopsy report, Mr Trottier, a widower, "was alive at the time of the initial impact". It did not specify, however, that the initial impact was a from the ial impact came from the Levesque car. Mr Levesque has been look-

ing more and more in recent weeks like a man caught up by weeks fike a man caught up by conflicting pressures and forces. He still talks boldly about Quebec's secession but his vagueness has made people wonder whether he has not become more aware of the enormity of the task he faces in bringing it about. He and Mr Trudeau, the fed-

doing a lot of sniping at one another, with Mr Trudeau taunting the Premier on his refusal to be more specific about the referendum date and Mr Levesque replying that he would not be stampeded by the Government in Ottawa-A few days ago the fend

between Ottawa and Quebec City acquired a new and harsher tone when Mr Wil-liam Davis, the Premier of Ontario, joined the fray.

After maintaining almost total aftence since the November election, the leader of Canada's largest province suddenly made a statement accusing Mr Trudeau of overreacting to the Parti Quebecois victory.

tain irony, since many Cana-dians, including people in Mr Davis's own Progressive Con-servative Party, have been urging Mr Trudeau to respond more vigorously to the separatist threat.

After a recent meeting with Mr Levesque in Quebec City, Mr Davis again attacked the Prime Minister, this time for putting pressure on Mr Levesque to call an early referen-

The Quebec Premier for his part has stated that he would like to "cool" the independence issue for a while, though he has reiterated that his Government will do its best to take Quebec out of the coneral Prime Minister, have been

Mrs Gandhi attacked by Communist allies

From Kuldip Nayar Delhi, Feb 9

The Communist Party of India (CPI) today attacked the 20-month-old emergency declar-ed by Mrs Gandhi, the Prime Minister, as anti-democratic, saying it had been used "against the working class and common people".

But despite these and other criticisms in its manifesto, released today, the pro-Moscow CPI is still planning to co-operate with the ruling Congress Party in next month's general elections.

In its manifesto, the CPI says that after some early achievements, the emergency came to be "more and more misused against the working class, the peasantry, the common people and democratic forces".

Concessions to vested in-terests went hand-in-hand with coercive sterilization, demoli-tion of huts of the poor and denial of long-standing workers' rights. Authoritarian trends and

practices began to grow, and there were increasing viola-tions of accepted norms of democratic procedure. Whatever the party's pro-mouncements, it has come to an electoral agreement with Congress in Kerala, West Ben-gal and Tamil Nacu, and looks like reaching a settlement in Punjab and Bihar also.

has adopted an ambivalent attitude. "Unity and struggle with
Congress" is now its slogan.
The CPI cannot escape the
fact that the Soviet Union
enjoys the best of relations
with the Congress Government.
More than once Moscow has
advised the Indian party not to
embarrass a friendly regime. embarrass a friendly regime.
Our Calcutta Corresponder writes: Mr Jagiivan Ram, who recently resigned from Mrs Gaadhi's Cabinet to form the

opposition Congress for Democracy, said in Calcutta Democracy, said in Calcutta today that the Prime Minister talked as if India was her ancestral property. He was commenting on Mrs Gandhi's remark that if opposition leaders did not like the kind of democracy that prevailed in India they were free to leave

the country.

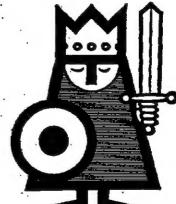
Mr Ram said yesterday his group would use the election symbol of the Janata Party, the opposition alliance led by Mr Morarji Dessi, but masninits own "personality". Party's challenge: The Communist Party manifesto criticized the power wielded by Mr Sanjay Gandhi, son of the Prime Minister.

Without naming him, it said: "The machinery and resources of the state bad been recklessly used to build up a

recklessly used to build up a personality who has no official

status." Mr C. Rajeshwar Rao, ger eral secretary of the party, said the main responsibility for this rested with Mrs Gandhi, "who has allowed this kind However, caught between the necessity of placating its restive rank and file and of not joining issue with the Congress Party on the other, the CPI

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banking rises from the ruins of war The First National Bank of after the war

high unsorted mound of un-claimed ledgers and accounts that blew out of the deserted banking headquarters at the height of the war. There are nts an idea in Lebanon shredded current accounts, war ended papers from the Middle East Bank, warnings to customers from the Bank of Egypt not to t walk down transfer money through Israel, and reminders of overdrawn Bank on the

accounts from a Lebanese bullet holes The scene in the old banking of the Bricentre of Beirut is not a decep-Middle East tive one. One European banker stays on at work when his staff a round the go home at 2pm each day in an artempt to fit together the nany bullet or that you torn and depleted accounts and reaching a files for 1974. Several banks contain rooms stuffed almost

the country's 73 foreign banks have returned to Beirut in the hope—and presumably on the calculated assumption—that the city can once again become the financial capital of the Middle East. Middle East.

Some of the largest financial institutions retrieve their most important files before the banking quarter became the front line. Others were not so lucky. The British Bank of the Middle East and the Banco di Roma still have not calculated their losses after their deposit boxes were looted by Palestiman commandos at a time when the area was under the control of to the ceiling with papers and the pro-Syrian guerrillas. In all, transfer documents which Beirur's banks lost around nking refuse remain unsorted almost three £300m to the looters.

Chicago had its share of misfortune and luck. Its new seneral manager, Mr Richard Gilgan, recounts how the bank staff returned to their offices last September with an armed guard of Palestinians—paid for by the owner of the building—to retrieve their most crucial documents.

Today, however, the staff are back at work in Riad Solh. They are able to arrange foreign currency transfers and the accounts are in order, partly because the bank, as a matter of routine, kept micro-filmed copies of all accounts in its London office. The World Bank is planning a reconnaissance mission to Lebanon and the Bankers' Asso-

Jerusalem rebuff for Waldheim peace initiatives

From Our Own Correspondent
Jerusalem, Feb 9

Israel's leaders will try to
soothe the ruffled feelings of
Dr Waldheim, the United
Nations' Secretary-General,
when he arrives in Jerusalem from Amman temerrow, will, at the same time, make it clear to him that they do not regard his Middle East visit as

a peace mission.

He is reported to have been upset by the blunt comment by Mr Yigal Allon, the Israel Foreign Minister, that the United Nations "no role to play" in Middle East peace negotiations. egotiations.

Ammen: King Husain told Dr Waldheim today that a Middle East peace settlement should ciation believes that deposits be based on full withdrawal by

Ragged England overwhelmed by Dutch flair

Footbail Correspondent

Football Correspondent
England 0 Netherlands 2
England's future may not be
decided by one "friendly "match
some 10 months before their next
World Cup meeting with Italy,
but last night at Wembley they
saw exactly how far they would
have to travel before hoping to
rejoin the world powers. The
1974 World Cup finalists from the
Netherlands merely used them for
parchee

those in a crowd of over 29,000 who had come through the rain to study at this night class, the Dutch masters gave immediate instruction. There was clarity and character, controlled speed and imagination; all this unfurling even in the early moments. Cruyff stood back, for a time, to take a deep look at it all from among his own defenders, but such is the gangling stride and brilliant for asignt of the man that no door was ever closed to him.

was ever closed to him.

England were the involuntary by standers from the beginning, hopefully lifting the familiar high hall towards Keegan in the middle of the attack and leaving young Francis trying to drift into his first international from the left half always greatly out. side but always greatly out-numbered. On the other flank Bowles's attempts to run the ball in towards the penalty area met with even less success. Erooking's with even less success. Brooking's progress was not committed with any confidence and Beartie, in that left back position he finds uncomfortable, indeed looked just that. In all it was surprising that between them England managed to keep the Dutch from goal for healt an hour.

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brick a feast of space in the
middle. And as the ball flew over middle. And as the ball flew over Clemence's goal the crowd drew their breath in a gasp of apprecia-tion and anticipation. Peters con-tinually saw the gaps that England left and rehearsed his perform-ance several times before taking the Dutch into a lead that was inevitable. He had often released Crossff wide on the left and in the Cruyff wide on the left and in the centre of attack before the com-

the Football League, described

Elackburn Rovers' statement, attacking Lord Westwood and

Newcastle United, as a "storm in a teacup" yesterday. Mr Hardaker was speaking after the League Management Committee

Hardaker was speaking after the Leggue Management Committee had considered the bitter outburst be Blackburn's chairman, William Emeroft, on Tuesday. He said: "We have discussed

the matter and have decided what action to take. We will be writing to Blackburn, probably this week, and until then I am not prepared

to say anything more about it ".
Mr Bancroft, upset that his club have been banned by the Lengue

from signing players, accused Newcastle of "deceitful conduct"

and suggested that Lord West-wood, the Lesgue president and Newcastle chairman, had "Influ-

Newcastle chairman, had "Influenced the more".

Lord Westwood, who attended the meeting held in a London hotel, has refused to be drawn into a personal slanging match. Presumably, he prefers any reply to come direct from the League headquarters. Mr Bancroft suggested that the cause of the

neadquarters. Air Bancroft suggested that the cause of the bun was Blackburn's delay in settling the transfer fee for Glen Keeley, signed from Newcastle in August for £30,000.

All dividends are

Blackburn's verbal attack

'a storm in a teacup'

pliment was returned after a few hopeful and comparatively stiff-limbed attacks from England. A square pass of astonishing simplicity from Cruyff allowed Neeskens time to spot Peters going into the penalty area and another quick pass seemed almost out of Peters's reach but he leaned back and raised the ball

over Clemence

All that England could do was All that England could do was raggedly snap at what the Duton offered in the way of occasional defensive mistakes. Clement made swarthy runs from the deep but is was not enough when originality was so locking ahead of him. So when Greenhoff's attempts to bring some ambition to the mid-field were lost as he left the field with an arm injury, there was nothing for it but to sit back and enjoy the mixed pleasure of visiting skills—feet on the ball, under ing skills—feet on the ball, under it and always in control of it on a difficult heavy pitch. After a surprisingly long delay Todd was brought on to replace Greenhoff and for some time he looked lost against a form of total football he and, for that matter, his colleagues never face in domestic competition. competition.

This freedom that the Dutch

This freedom that the Dutch enjoyed and thought out might have conjured many more goals but they seemed content to show England their style, not their teeth. Their second goal was as sweet and simple as the first, belying the speed at which all involved saw clear paths and made instant decisions. Hovenkamp opened the way and Peters again slipped quickly into position in front of goal to receive another fine pass from Neeskens. This time Peters had a moment to This time Peters had a moment to take stock before firmly placing his shot past Clemence.

In all respects England now knew the length of their journeys both on the night and in the future and were without a map. Argentina and hopes of regaining status were like distant lights over a receding horizon. In a word it was again the lack of skill that struck their title as the also-rans. Whereas at one point the Dutch poured out 16 consecutive passes. poured out 16 consecutive passes, England run after them in dis-tracted circles until the Dutchmen fred of the move and abandoned



Cruyff tackles Keegan to foil an England attack at Wembley last night.

it as if discarding a peg on a board of Chinese checkers. Towards the end of this exhibi-Towards the end of this exhibi-tion England were offered a bigger part and Francis did go in strongly on the left to force Shrijvers to deflect his shot. But Shrijvers to deflect his shot. But there was nothing to compare with a shrug and thrust of acceleration from Cruvif as he escaped and offered Peters another chance with a superb diagonal pass between defenders. Clemence saved that but England's faces were grim and baffled as they left to the jeers of the crowd.

Don Revie, the England man-ger, said afterwards: "The ager, said afterwards: "The decided on a provisional suspen-burch were just magnificent, parti-son pending their that decision, to be taken on Tuesday. This no point in kidding ourselves. We

in control and passing and not giving the ball away. It was not just a lesson to the England (oter-national side but to all of English football. This was one of the best international performances I have ever seen."

Cruvff will miss at least one club match after being provision-ally suspended by the Spanish federation in Madrid yesterday. Meeting to consider Cruff's sending off in a league match against Malaga last Sunday, the federation's disciplinary committee

Ireland's five-year record broken

Tony Macken, who won his first cap, was narrowly off target two minutes from the end as the Irish worked feverishly for an equalizer. Gerry Peyton, a 20-year-old goal-keeper with Fulham who also won his first cap, did not have a shot to save in the second half when he came on as a superiouse for

he came on as a substitute for

Capon, Comacho, Miguel and Pirri, their longest-serving member, were particularly impressive in the Spanish defence. Heighway was the most menacing Irish striker but Stapleton missed two proportings to the property of the company o

Spain were no more than competent although their defence looked capable in the second half when the Irish put on the pressure. Holmes, five minutes after the interval, and Givens, five was disappointed with the result.

Wolves unable to build on

their lead in the mud

to play for Barcelona against Sala-manca on Sunday. The commi-tee could suspend him for up to six league matches.

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satisfying aspects about our per-formance. We did most of the pressing in the second half and

Michel Hidalgo, the French team manager, watched the Irish, who will be playing France in a World Cup qualifying tie on March 30. He said: "The Irish were not as rood moder as they were in Peris

good today as they were in Paris. The midfield was poor. They obviously missed Giles and Daly."

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Referee J. Hunting (England).

Yesterday's results

International matches

Grieve, who missed last week's has been unable to regain his place at stand-off half from Thomas Rudand and Coyne, who were in-volved in a British Colleges trial last week, return at centre and

hooker respectively.

Saracens, who scraped through the previous round bearing Borough Road College by the narrow margin of 11—10, have been drawn at home to Wasps in the semi-final round of the Middlesex Cup on Sunday. The other semi-final will be Metropoli-tan Police at home to Twicken-

Middlesbrough

visit Waterloo

without Peacock

Middlesbrough will be without

for England

Paris. Feb 9.—French selectors today named the same team which defeated Wales 16-9 last

Saturday to play against England at Twickenham in their February

19 five nations Rugby Union inter-national. The only change in the

French line-up is in the substi-tures, where the Toulon second

Gerard Rousset.
The French press is already

match as the championship de-cider, as they are the only two

Coventry selectors have given a vote of confidence to the team defeated by Cardiff last Saturday. They have named the same side to travel to the Richmond Athletic

Watkins applies for coaching post

David Watkins, of Salford, and David Watkins, of Salford, and Alex Murphy, of Warrington, yesterday applied for the position of coach to the Great Britain side for the Rugby League world championship matches in Australia and New Zealand in June. Watkins, who has gained international honours at both Rugby Union and League, has had no coaching experience at club level. coaching experience at club level but is presently the coach of the Welsh side.

Today's fixtures

Hockey

By Sydney Friskin

Snooker **Brilliant** upset victory by late substitute

Douglas Mountjoy, a 33-1 out-sider, brought off a shock win to reach the semi-final round of the Doughts Mountgoy, a 35-1 our sider, brought off a shock win to reach the semi-final round of the masters snooker tournament, sponsored by Benson and Redges, at the New London Theatre yesterday. The 34-year-old Welshman from Pontywaun scored a brilliant 4—2 victory over Pred Davis, a world champion many times over. Mountloy, who came in as a last minute substitute, turned professional after winning the world amateur championship last October. His chances of winning did not seem bright when Davis, aged 63, won the first two frames.

With a series of small breaks, the highest being 31. Mountjoy took the third frame and this gave him more confidence. His potting improved and he won the next three frames for success. Mountjoy made an early break of 41 in the fourth and 53 and 50 in the next, which he won by 115—nil. He raced away to an early lead in the sixth and was never caught.

Alex Higgins, the controversal Irishman; failed to arrive for bis semi-final round billiards challenge match. Higgins was scheduled to play John Spencer, but when he did not appear he was disqualified. Len Owen, the Benson and Hedges director in charge of special events, said: "I do not wish to say anything more at the moment until I know the Iuli facts."

SNOOKER: Quarrer-final round: D. Nounnloy. Pontywaunt, best J. Spencer (Radeliffer) wo A. Higgins (Hellast). Ecr.

Rugby League Move to raise standards of refereeing

In a move to raise refereeing standards in France a European panel of referees has been established, the English Rugby League announced in Leeds last night. Over the years there have been strong complaints from teams visiting France about the poor quality of referees there, culminating in bitter complaints about the referee in the recent Underzatinternational in Albi.

A League spokesman said that in future when British teams visit France they will choose a referee from a panel of five top French referees. The French will have the same tacileties of selecting from

France keep Loughborough slog with their and slither to final winning team

Rugby Correspondent Loughborough 13

Swansea University 3
Two willing teams slogged and
slithered in appallingly heavy conditions on the Oxford club ground yesterday. At the end of it all Loughborough had qualified for yet another final of the UAU rugby championship, sponsured by Watney Mann, by a goal, a penalty goal and a try to a penalty goal. They will meet Newcastle at

row forward Alain Guilbert re-places the Valence back-row player Twickenham on March 2.
No prisoners were taken in a combative first balf, made the more frustrating by the conditions and no doubt played with the recollection of a rather uspleasant describing the England France meeting these two sides last had, at the same stage of the competi-tion in 1975 The referee twice spoke firm

cider, as they are the only two undefeated sides left among the five andons. England have beaten Scotland and Irrland and France have subdued the champions Wales, at the Paris Parc des Princes, in their only match to date. The team is: J. Aguirre (Bagnères); D. Harine (Toulouse), R. Begranne (Bagnères), F. Sangalli (Narbonne), J. Averous (La Voulte): J. Romeu (Mont-The referee twice spoke firm words to the captains—on the first occasion after May, the Swansea lock (who plays for Llanelii). had retired briefly on the end of a suspected punch off the ball. On the second, Mr Burgum made it crystal-clear that the next piece of violence would have dire consequences. There was no more trouble after that, though it never became a vicars' tea party.

Considering the difficulties, both sides took credit from the game. One suspects that on a firmer surface the pace and subtlety of the Loughborough backs would have been more decisive but, now, they owed much to the control H. Sangalli (Narbonne). J. Averous (La Voulte): J. Romeu (Montferrand), J. Fouroux (Auch, captain): J. Skreln (Toulouse). J. Bastiat (Dex). J. Rives (Toulouse). J. H. Palmie (Beziers). J. Imbernon (Perpignan). R. Paparemborde (Pau. A. Paco (Beziers). G. Cholley (Castres). Replacements: C. Swierczinski (Begles). A. Vanuerin (Baziers). A. Guilbert (Pau. A. Guilbert (Baziers). A. Chillery (Castres). Vaquerin (Béziers), A. Guilbert (Toulon), R. Astre (Béziers), J. Pestei! (Béziers), M. Droitecourt (Montierrand).—Reuter. they owed much to the control of their forwards in the tight and to their skill and strength at the

Their coach, Jim Greenwood, the old Scottish international and Briold Scottish international and British Lion, who expects the highest stradards, thought they were less tidy when the ball was on the ground, but certainly they heaved back or swung Swansea with some regularity at the scrummage and, notably in the second half, the healing of their own ball made life a greater pleasure for their captain Hartley.

This strongly built scrum half is one of three Loughborough players alerted as possibles for the England Under 23 tour of Canada in the summer, the others being Peacock, their experienced York-shire and Army No 8, for their John Player Cup second round match at Waterloo on Saturday. He is injured and O'Halloran re-

(who returned after I to play at No 8), wor lineout ball on a day sort of possession c mixed blessing. Low scrummage platform sounder bet and their s attempted to play so expansive game. Philii off of polse, prompte

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Newcastle surface fron mud to put out holders yesterday. Michael B

By Richard Streeton

Newcastle Univ 6

A heavier pack and greater adaptability to the conditions at Loughborough yesterday took Newcastle University into the final of the UAU Rugby championship for the first time for seven years. They beat the University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology, the holders, by two penalty goals against a try.

For a semi-final round game, played in thick mud and driving rain, it was a remarkably enteraining match, with several moments of ambitious handling, but Newcastle clearly deserved their success. They withstood some thrustful attacks early on, and after the interval took more and more control as UWIST treed.

Newcastle's win would have been far more decisive if Clarkson, their well equipped full back, had been more on target with his kicking. He missed three feasible penalty kicks in the first 15 minutes into the wind, and Jarvis also missed one. In the second half, Clarkson was twice successful; he also hit an upright twice and was wide with two more attempts.

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Yesterday. Michael E
Too often UWIST in more the ball went all in the bull with two look now near the ball with poole, and Polledri, the English for with the ball went along flash and Holt right hand corner. Clarkson's two penalty kicks in the first 15 minutes into the wind, and Jarvis also missed one. In the second half, Clarkson was twice successful; he also hit an upright twice and was wide with two more attempts.

UWIST were bandicapped by two absentees. Graham Price, the Welsh prop. failed a fitness rest on a pinched nerve in his back yesterday morning, and last Fri-day Gareth Davies, the Welsh national team's stand-off reserve last season, had an operation for stomach ulcers. He will not play again this winter. His replacement

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Manchester withstood a stircing challenge from Birmingham to reach the final of the Universities Athletic Union hockey championship yesterday on the all-weather pitch at the National Sports Centre, Lilleshall. Manchester's opponents will be either Exeter or Lougbborough, who meet next Wednesday at Cheltenham.

After holding a 2—0 lead, Manchester slipped from comfort to anxiety at Birmingham, who were always dangerous on the break away, suddenly reduced the lead and held them under considerable pressure. It was a wonderful transformation of a game which might not have run its full course if the rain had not eased in the second balf.

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As usual, Manchester built their attacks around the combined effort of Cottrell and Jheeta, who might have found the afternoon even more profitable if they had been able to steady themselves for a shot. There was some solid defensive work, too, by both sides. Baker-Briam, at left back, saved Birmings. Shanchester: K. Burgham from falling further inno streams, his best effort being a save on the line from a short.

Yachting

Lester rules OK after

Auckland. Feb 9.—The sixth heat of the world OK dinghy championships was postponed after 10 false starts here this afternoon. The abortive attempts to get the race under way reflected the tension among the helmsmen, particularly after this morning's fifth, heat which was another tactical barries. helmsmen, particularly after this morning's fifth heat which was another tactical battle between the leading contenders,

leading contenders.

The duel for supremacy between the New Zealander, Peter Lester, and the West German, Michael Nissen, was again the highlight. They guided their boats to the finishing line with bows virtually locked together and were given the same time.

The fifth race was won by the New Zealand champion, Barry Thom.

Tomorrow is the last scheduled day of racing and the organizers have yet to decide whether the sixth heat will be held then.

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A tenth minute goal was enough to give Spain a deserved win over the Republic of Ireland in a friendly international, watched by 22,000 in Dublin yesterday. Jesus Satrusega was the scorer with a "circumventing the spirit of the transfar agreement" by they signed a goalkeeper, Roger Jones, from Blackburn in March brilliant header from a perfect cross by Capon. It was one of the most disappointing Irish displays at home since John Giles became the manager of the national team in 1973. It was also the Republic of Ireland's first home defeat since 1972 when they were besten by

Under the deal Newcastle had to pay extra money when Jones had made a certain number of appearances. But, said Mr Bancroft, the player had been denied matches to go round the agreement. Jones has been troubled by injuries, a fact confirmed by a former Blackburn manager, Gordon Lee, who went to Newcastle 19 months ago and has since left for Everton.

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Blockburn say they were denied "£25,000" by the strategy and although Jones reported daily for training, he did not play any competitive game for Newcastle competitive game for Newcastle for three months. But Jones, aged 30, has been told by a Midland specialist that he is "good for four more years at least in top class football".

Birmingham City approached Jones last weekend and he agreed to go to St Andrews for a three-day trial. Birmingham insisted on having him medically examined and they have now received a favourable report. He has

headquarters. Mr Bancroft suggested that the cause of the bun was Blackburn's delay in settling the transfer fee for Glen Keeley, signed from Newcastle in August for £50,000.

It is understood that half is still outstanding. He added that Blackburn's reasons for not paying stemmed from Newcastle resolved.

FOR MATCHES PLAYED FEBRUARY 5th

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room left for the finer points of the game.

In addition there are no suphemisms that can disguise the exceedingly boring nature of Sheffield United's approach as shown here, and imagination does not seem the name of their game. But it was difficult to be too harsh, considering the nature of the conconsidering the nature of the con-ditions in which the match was played. The win extended Wolverhampton's midseason gallop to 15 points from nine games with the added bonus of a success-ful Cup run as well. The position

Tul Cup run as well. The position at the top is

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When Wolves 14 4 8 39 31 26 When Wolves raced into a two-goal lead in as many minutes in the first half, there seemed all the signs of a runaway score. But having presented United with an own goal of the silliest kind some minutes later, as if to make a contest of it, they seemed to lose their way in the morass. Try as they did, they were unable to build on the lead.

United's dourness and three fine saves by Brown presented obstacles but Wolves' failure to

obstacles but Woives' failure to score at least four more goals was a result of their contrary finishing. United flittered briefly in attack, for no more than 10 minutes early in the second half, when Woodward and then Guthrie presented problems. But it died as cultible as it had come the as quickly as it had come, the kindling being as wet and dis-piriting as the night. Wolves dominated the rest of

By Arthur Osman

Wolverhampton Wanderers duly moved up another notch in the second division table to achieve their ambition of being back with their peers after a season's absence, but the unremitting vileness of the conditions destroyed it as an attractive game. As muscles laboured and strained in the mud, there seemed little room left for the finer points of Hamilton set off down the Hamilton set off down the middle at the start, shot on the

run, Pierce collected and that was almost the last of United in attack until the last minutes of the half drew near. Wolves, for their part, were imaginative in their approach and raked the ball back and forth with Hibbitt and Sunderland in the tran

Richards, showing splendid con-trol, rapped the foot of a post after only six minutes. Inevitably, after only six minutes. Inevitably, United's remarkably statuesque defence was caught our by all this movement and in the 18th minute Sunderland received from Daley, eluded a sharp tackle and efficiently drove the ball home. Brown might have been a shade reluctant to go down but could be forgiven in the general mire.

Within two minutes Pickards

Within two minutes Richards found the net for the 13th time in 12 games as the slow-turning defence allowed him to deliberate as the ball arrived at his foot and he placed it firmly wide of Brown. From that point Wolves lost their decisiveness and in the 37th minute, from United's first corner of the same, the hall

Bradford City have transferred Gerry Ingram their joint leading scorer and a former Blackpool and Preston North End forward to

Second division Fourth division Leading placings FA TROPHY: Second round replays: Yeavil 1, Dagenham 2; Scarborough 2, Walthamstow Avenue 1 Under-21 international

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corner of the game, the ball skidded off two heads before slid-ing off McAlle's into his own net. WOLVERNAMPTON WANDERERS:
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UAU CHAMPIONSHIP: Semi-linal round; Loughborough 13. Swanses 5: Newcastle 6. UWIST 4.
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University 0, Guidford 1. UAU championship: Birmingham 1. Manchester 2. Scotland 3

Scotland's under-21 team followed up their draw against Czechoslovakia earlier in the season with a last-gasp victory over Wales at Easter Road. Edinburgh, last night. Scotland, with Burns, Cooper and Ross showing real promise, always threatened and only some fine defensive work by the Welshmen kept them in the same.

Squash rackets

Leslie precariously confirms status By Rex Bellamy Squash rackets Correspondent

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Jonathan Lealie, of Beaconsfield, the highest ranked amateur
in British squash rackets, precariously confirmed his status by beating John Richardson 2—9, 9—4,
5—9, 9—5, 9—5 in 87 minutes in
the final of the untional amateur
championship at Wimbledon
Stadium last evening. In the
fourth game Richardson led 4—1
and 6—5 and in the fifth he
bonneed back from 3—7 to 5—7
and then saved two match points and then saved two match points

and then saved two match points with forehand winners.

This desperately close match could just as easily have gone the other way. But in the past six months Leslie, a barrister, has won the South African international amateur championship, has become the first British player for eight peers to reach the player for eight years to reach the final of the British international amateur championship, and has now won the domestic amateur now won the domesus amateur title. It is interesting to speculate what might happen if he should ever clash with Jonah Barrington, almost 10 years his senior, who has not been beaten by a British

said Leslie last evening. "That says something about British squash: how we dont get it to-gether. But I look forward to genter. But I look forward to remedying that ". What has been proved, though, is that the British amatuer game has entered an-other era. The period dominated by Corby, Ayton and Courtney has ended. The new leaders are Leslie and Richardson, both 26, and Kenyon, 20, with a few more ambitious young men close behind them.

Two of the test of a genuine champion are his ability to win when not at his best and his capacity to absorb heavy punishment and then rebound to peak form. That is what Leslle did last evening. He confessed that he was "right at the limit" of his resources when the final ended. No wonder. For most of the match Richardson set the pace—and a hot one it was—and was more likely to play winning shots. He hit hard and low and seldom offered Leslie anything loose. His length was good. His use of the side walls and the drop shot worked Leslie mercllessly. When the pace was beginning to tell, Richardson varied his tactics. briefly confusing Leslie while Two of the test of a genuine

Except for the second game, in which Leslie took the hall earlier and moved into a higher gear (Imposing pressure instead of resisting it) the nimble Richardson always looked to have a marginal advantage—until the fourth game produced the crisis of the match. In that game Leslle made only one error—whereas Richardson, the victim of bis own sustained aggression and Leslie's tenacious ability to withstand it gradually became more inclined to make the errors born from an overhasty desire to finish the job. overhasty desire to finish the job. That game had a message for both men, The fifth was Richardson's worst of the match. He was still playing well and fighting hard. But the glory had gone from his squash: and Leslie knew it.

The match was marred by too many lets. Leslie made most of the appeals. He had obviously decided to appeal rather than play inhibited strokes. A section of the packed gallery reacted resentfully. But Leslie did not mind that: "I enjoy a bit of barracking". There is a renals player called Connors who also appreciates crowd participation: no

the packed gallery reacted resentfully. But Lestie did not mind
that: "I enjoy a bit of barracktag". There is a tennis player
called Connors who also apprecates crowd participation, no
matter whom they may support.

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Rowing

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A positive

at last by

selectors

By Jim Raifton

The Amateur Rowing Association (ARA) announced the appointment of two national coaches yesterday. A professional coach has been appointed for the North-east and a freelance photographer and model given the responsibility of preparing the British national training team.

British national training team.

The appointment of 37-year-old Richard Wait as professional coach will be welcomed by all in the sport. Wait represented Great Britain on five occasions between 1961 and 1970, in pairs and fours, in three European and two world championalips. Three years ago he changed stream moving from a career in the timber trade to take a mature student's diploma

nd slither tcher could lose his place to ler in last Test match

ast between the old Stadium, where for England met India, nkhede Stadium less nichede Stadium less mile away, where I Test match will be sadly striking this t Brabourne, already d of a coat of paint, arning for the past, they were looking e future. The field is in perfect control not too green; I has some grass on hether it will have y remains to be seen, dence it will. dence it will. MCC players having ere those who have leave—that is Greig, ever—together with and Miller. The ant of these was ay play in Fletcher's promising start at he scored 108 in Fletcher has had r. Neither is the match in Mel-

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Woolmer: reputation for getting out to dispel.

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The other Test match to have been played at Wankhede was had even seen. New Zealand by spinning them out

cheaply on the last day. The pattern of that match, with the ball turning progressively more as the days went by, is no doubt what the Indians, even the groundaman among them, will be hoping to repeat this time. What in the long run would do Indian cricket more good is a return to good batting conditions in which to rediscover the habit of making big scores. Only then can they bope to make much impact in Australia later this year when they go there for a five Test series. So far this winter the highest score made by an Indian batsman against Greig's team is Sharma's 111 for Central Zone in Jaipur. The best after that is Viswanath's 79 not out in the second innings of the fourth Test match in Bangalore.

Mr Blackwell; an Oxford Blue, represented Great Britain also in fours and pairs in the 1969 and 1971 European champtonships. He has been a selector since 1975 and coached Christie and McLeod late last season helping them to achieve seventh place in the Olympic regatts in coxed pairs.

I understand that Mr Blackwell I understand that Mr Blackwell is likely to emigrate to United States and his appointment is initially until September, 1977. In initially until September, 1977. In this case he can only be described as a caretaker-cosch. But with two professional coaches on the establishment's payroll and with Mr Wait soon to swell their ranks, why was no national professional coach given the responsibility of the national team?

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Mr Blackwell's first requirement will be to pull in quickly a team of coaches to help him with his mammoth task. Even Janousek found coaching two crews a head-ache and he was a man of some experience. At this time of the year the national training team will be in a wariety of boats each deserving special concentration and coaching. Now the appointment has been made, however temporarily, Mr Blackwell will need every cooperation and help. With Olympic medal winners still affoat, and an outstanding potential in the lightweight team, the British selection board may be feeling confident. But any cracks that are papered over this season in international preparations, will reveal themselves certainly by Moscow in 1980 and possibly even Moscow in 1980 and possibly even

Golf

Unfancied player applies to

enter Open again

Maurice Phuroft, the 46-yearold stum man and train driver
from Barrow-in-Furness, who
slipped past the Royal and Ancient
Golf Club's vetting system and
played in last year's Open championship with disastrous results,
has attempted to enter again. Plitcroft, who scored 121 in the first
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pionship with disastrous results, has attempted to enter again. Flitcroft, who scored 121 in the first qualifying round at Formby in last year's Open, has applied to the championship organizers for entry to this year's event at Turnberry from July 6 to 9.

In his typed letter of application the man who made championship history said: "I consider I have as much right to enter as anyone else. I would like you to send me full details so that I may plan my training schedule and next course of action. Incidentally, barring accidents, I consider I am the man most likely to succeed in 1977."

R. and A. secretary Keith Mackenzie, has remrned an entry form to Flitcroft but with an accompanying none. While not rejecting his entry outright, Mr Mackenzie recommends Flitcroft not to enter for the Open on the ground that "the championship committee would be unlikely to accept your entry in view of the playing ability you demonstrated during the qualifying competition for the 105th Open championship."

The Birkdale Open last year produced a net profit of around \$50,000. The money goes back into the events they run, while this year's Open prize fund is increased from £75,000 to £100,000. The R and A are not expecting crowds to be as large at Turnberry, a new site for the Open championship. The championship committee have made provision for extra regional qualifying competitions on Tuesday, June 28, if the stre of entry makes this necessary. The 106th Open will receive wider television coverage

Uniroyal date

The southern professional golf championship, sponsored by Uniroyal, will be held at Brookman's Park, Hertfordshire, on August 23 and 24. It will be played over 36 holes, with £2,000 in prize money.

Badminton COPENHAGEN: Danich chatuplon-shipp: Men's singles: Final; F. Dellis, beat S. Pri. 11—15, 15—7, 18—16. Women's singles: Final: Miss L. Koppen beat Miss I. Burgatrom, 11—3, 11—2. Men's doubles: Final: Pri and S. Ekor-paard beat Dellis and E. Hancen, 15—10, 15—12. Women's doubles: Final: Miss Koppen and Miss L. Bostoite beat Miss Borystrom and Miss S. Borg, 15—6, 15—4. Missed doubles: Final: Showpard and Miss Koppen beat Pri and Miss U. Strand, 15—3, 11—15, 15—6.

Cycling ANTWERP: Six-day race: Leading positions: 1. F. Maertens and P. Serti Reigium 1. 518 pts: 2. P. Pines (Netherlands) and R. Indess (Belgium: 199; 3. R. Viseninck (Belgium: 199; 3. R. Viseninck (Belgium: 196 D. Clark (Anstralia). 469; 4. M. Mcyer (Beigium) and A. Pritz (& Germany: 151; 5. R. Witte (Belgium: 196 & Pritz (Belgium: 1

Andy Pandy leaps into National picture with fine Haydock win

By Michael Seely

Andy Pandy ran a first-rate stial for Amiree when narrowly beating Sir Garnet in the National Triel Stakes at Haydock Park yesterday. Making virtually all the running, Andy Pandy continually outjumped the joint leader, Porest King, When Porest King, dropped back beaten on the final torn, Andy Pandy went clear of the improving Sir Garnet and Shifting Gold.

Andy Pandy jumped the final fence with a three-length advantage over Sir Garnet. The favourite challenged strongly on the long run-le, but Andy Pandy was holding him in the last 50 yards and won by half a length. Shifting Gold, who had only stayed on at one pace in the last half mile, was seven lengths away, third. Then came Forest King followed by No Gypsy. Red Rum, who had tired on the second circuit, finished a well-beaten last.

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The trainers of the first and second were delighted afterwards. Fred Rimell, now seeking his fifth triumph at Aintree, said jokingly: "You never think about the National beforehand. But seriously, didn't you love the way he did it today? He took them all on and never made a mistake. I may give him one move run before Liverpool but he's had a long season. Andy Pandy's at his best when fresh so we'll have to play it by ear."

John Burke was equally pleased. "He jumped super", said Burke who rode Rag Trade to victory at Aintree last year. Rimell, with four horses engaged in the National, refused to commit himself as to riding arrangements for the big race, but it most be a shade of odds on Burke being on Andy Pandy on Saturday, April 2.

Gordon Richards was in no doubt that only the soft ground had beaten Sir Garnet. With a mile to go, the eight-year old was cantering over his rivals, and contamally outjumping the horses nearest him. Athough he stayed on gamely to the finish, the dead going inevitably blumted the finishing speed that had won him his past three races.

"I'd like to bring Sir Garnet back to this course for the Greenall Whitley", the Greystoke

for the north east.

The most that can be said of the appointment of 31-year-old Christopher Blackwell is that at last the British selection board have made a positive move. The selectors, who appear to have been alightly dazed since the resignation of principal mational coach, Janousek, seem to have abandoned their search for an overseas coach—at least for the time being. It was high time too that somebody took courrol of the national team with the international season only three months away. But whether Mr Blackwell, who will receive a fee and expenses, was the correct choice for the appointment of "national squad coordinator and coch" is subject to speculation.

Mr Blackwell; an Oxford Blue, To fike to oring sir Garner back to this course for the Greenald Whitley", the Greystoke trainer said, "but I think I'll probably my and find an easy little race for him in the north.

Like Andy Pandy, he's at his best when fresh, and I don't want to lose the chance of winning the National by giving Sir Garnet too hard a race at Haydock. John O'Neill confirmed the trainer's thinking. "He's a stone better horse on good ground", the jockey said. "He gave me a great ride today, and I'm looking forward to niding him at Aintree." Andy Pandy, who has already been well backed to win the National, shortened further in price after yesterday's fine performance. Hills retain Red Romas their favourise at 12-1. They then go 16-1 Andy Pandy, and 20-1 Sir Garnet. Andy Pandy meets Sir Garnet on 6 Ib better ferms at Aintree.

saddled a good looking young krish horse, Party Line, to win the Lancashire Hunter Steeplechase by 10 lengths. Ridden by his nephew John, Party Line made all the running, jamping boldly, and is clearly a nunter-chaser with

a future.

An equally impressive winner was Checkov, whom Michael Dickinson rode to an easy victory over Allex Stanwick in the Golborne Novices Handicap. "What a future this horse is going to have over fences", Dickinson said to Checkov's trainer, George Fairbairn, after the race. Checkov was bought as an unbroken three-year-old from Iam Williams for Mrs B. Heath who is also the owner of that top class steeple-chaser, Charlie Potheen. Fairbairn has already won three hurdle races with the six-year-old this season.

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before putting the gelding away to be prepared for steeplechasing next year.

If they are able to race at Haydock this afternoon Rimell can Aq sessons to the sin annuau saddling Comedy of Errors to win the Premier Long Distance Hurdle. The dual champion hurdler has not run since November, and is being prepared for the Erin Foods Hurdle at Leopardstown on Saturday week. But even if he needs this afternoon's race, Comedy of Errors should still be too good for Sweet Joe. Rimell may also win the Boston Pit Amateur Riders Handicap with Royal Thrust, despite his 101b penalty for scoring at Sandown Park last Friday.

Tony Dickinson can capture a competitive Waterloo Handicap Hurdle with In Vision, who ran well when second to Jane Again at Teesside Park. In the Birkdale Novices Steeplechase Dickinson runs his Wolverhampton winner, Tommy Joe, who would probably have also won at Ayr but for falling against some moderate opposition. In the belief that Tommy Joe may not be fully wound up, I am taking Everything to beat Eborneezersdouble. Everything in a fast time at Leicester. He disappointed behind Zarib at Ayr, but David Nicholson believes he was a little off colour that afternoon. Everything is a confident attaction.

If conditions at Cheltenham next

if conditions at Cheltenham next month are anything like they were at Fontwell Park, it will take a very good horse to beat Willie Stephenson's St Torbay in the Dally Express Triumph Hurdle. A 2,200 guineas Doocaster Sales buy, St Torbay (2-1 joint favourite) spreadeagled a useful field of sovices to win the Chichester Hurdle in hock-deep mud. The four-year-old came home 25 lengths clear of his chief market rival, Rusthall, with Rushmere one and a half lengths away third.

Rusthall's jockey, Kevin Mooney, said: "We met a real good one today."

More easy pickings for John Cherry

By Jim Snow

Top-class form on the flat is no guarantee of success over hurdles, and every National Hunt season sees examples of the failure of smart stayers or middle distance horses to make their mark when their activities are directed to jumping. Sam Hall's Morecambe, winner of the 1957 Ebor Handicap and the following year by six lengths of the Cesarewitch under-9 st 1 b, was not happy in his new

However, all the signs are that John Cherry, one of nine runners for today's £4,000 Sidney Banka Memorial Novice Hurdle at Humingdon (where overnight rain would jeopardize racing), has a very bright future in front of him over hurdles. For Jeremy Tree in 1976 he won the Chester Cup, the Newbury Autumn Cup and the Cesarewitch under 9 st 11 lp. Lester Piggott rode the sort of waiting races on John Cherry at Chester and Newmarket which give the councisseur tremendous pleasure in its complete artistry. I doubt if the former champion jockey has ever been seen to greater advantage than when he lay close up coming into the dip lay close up coming into the dip at Newmarket, then paid out a little rein and John Cherry coasted home without realizing he had had

The American-bred six-year-old has won his two hurdles at Hay-dock Park and Kempton Park in a style that stamped him as the best novice hurdler this season. Thomson Jones took him over for jumping from Jeresty Tree, and it is his intention to run him in the Sun Alliance Hurdle at Cheltenham next month, and to miss the Champion Burdle, wisely taking the long term view that there is plenty of time ahead for him to attempt the top hurdle event.

I do not oppose John Cherry in
his attempt this afternoon to take
his score to three out of three.
It may be that Josh Gifford's
Modesty Forbids, successful twice at Kempton and once at Leicester will be the danger, although I doubt very much if Ian Watkinson will have any auxious moments on John Cherry.

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o approach insean.

Imran has already asked the Test and County Cricket Board to cancel his resignation with Worcestershire. Mr Vockins said that,

"But we are doing all in our power to get him to return to Worcester for the coming seahe will be back." After six years

Test all-rounder, to renew his contract with them, he may join Sussex. Michael Vockins, the Worcestershire secretary, said he received a letter from Sussex on Toesday stating that they intended to sourcech invest.

as Imrar's contract ended last September and be declined a renewal. Sussex were entitled to approach him.

on the Worcestershire pay-roll, three of them at Oxford University, Imran has told the county that he has a personal problem which can only be resolved by his

Australians find their touch on second day

Nelson, New Zealand, Feb 9. The Trafalear Park pitch regained its placid reputation and Australia's touring cricketers found their run-scoring touch as they took control of the match against Central Districts on the second day here

Shot out for a pure 126 in their first innings yesterday on a pitch which the Australian captain, Greg Chappell, called an insult to his team, the Australians dismissed the locals for 156 today, then set about redressing the balance in fine style. At the close they were 303 for nine without Chappell, who has a stiff neck. Bartler Bright completed his destruction of Central Districts, taking five wickets for five runs.

SCORES: Australia, 126 pp. Ray 1-31 and 303 for V.U. Coaler 85, 1. Duris 67: D. Brecewell 467; Central Districts, 156 id, N. Edwards 49; R. J. Bright 5-6; —Rester.

Association of Tennis Professionals is due for renewal next year, and

Haydock Park programme



11-4 Royal Thrust, 3-1 Cotton Coon, 4-1 Rockery Nook, 11-2 Half a 13-2 The Norseman, 8-1 Lictor, 12-1 Follow Me, 16-1 Cove Bag. 2.45 PREMIER HURDLE (£2,310: 3m)

Haydock Park selections

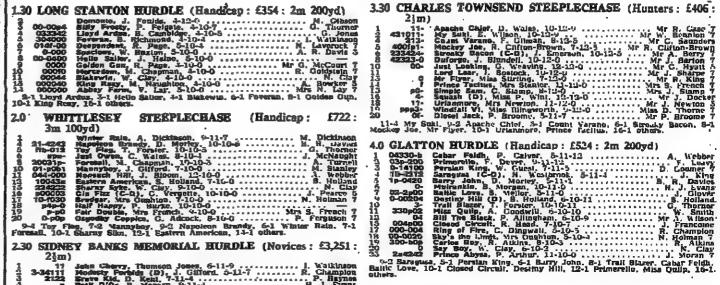
By Our Racing Staff
1.15 Blighty, 1.45 In Vision, 2.15 Royal Thrust, 2.45 Comedy of Errors,
3.15 EVERYTHING is specially recommended, 3.45 Royal Gaye. By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.45 Sweet Joe. 3.45 Devas.

3.30 CHARLES TOWNSEND STEEPLECHASE (Hunters: £406:

By Our Racing Staff 1.30 Lloyd Ardus. 2.0 Manayboy 2.30 JOHN CHERRY is specially recommended. 3.0 Broncho II. 3.30 Streaky Bacon. 4.0 Saragusa.

4.6 GLATTON HURDLE (Handicap: £524: 2m 200yd)

Huntingdon programme



John Cherry, Thumson Jones, 6-11-9
Modesty Porbids (D), J. Gifford, 5-11-7
Erave Kid, D. Kenl, 7-11-4
Peth D'Or, R. Morgan, 9-11-4
Sevet Flow, P. Burke, 6-11-3
Sevet Flow, P. Burke, 6-11-3
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Haydock Park results

2.15 (2.46) NATIONAL TRIAL STEEPLECHASE (Handicap: 22.460-37-mi) Andy Pandy, b g, by Garland Knight—Blue Sprite (NIE S. Mulligan), B-10-15 1.15 (1.19) WIDNES HURDLE (£454:

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ALSO RAN: 6-11 Fylor, 26-1
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J. Sorks (7-3) 1

Second J. J. O'Null 15-2 (av) 2

Shifting Gold M. Dickinson (7-3) 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 No Gypsy. 9-1

Red Rum, 12-1 Fovest King (4th).

TOTE: Win, 35p: places, 16p. 14p:

Tovecas, 21.30, T. F. Ringell, at

Severa Stoke. 4,1, 77. Sagar Shorisge, Blue's Red. Machalfen, 11 ran.

TOTE: Wen, 47p: places, 18p, 15p, 12p, G. W. Richards, Gregstoks, 4l, 4l. King Reay did not run. There was no bid for the winner.

1.15 (1.47) LANCASHIRE STEEPLE-CHASE (Hunters: £445; 2m)

Party Line, ch. g., by Saint Deorgs—Queens Tarian (B. Poole).

8-11-0 ... Mr J. Poole (25-1) 2

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Ref Flaze ... Mr J. Cove (12-1) 2

Ref Flaze ... Mr J. Foole (25-1) 2

Rollincation Mr R. Mann (6-4 fav) 3

ALSO RAN: 11-2 Another Gwg, 15-2

Timmle's Battle (44b). 8-1 Front Set. 12-1

12-1 Escaligh Manicon Bay, Steady-gaze, 14-1 Flazenson, 20-1 Bally Jewel (b) Before The Dew (f). Cantabulls. Serom Stable. 4. 77.

3.15 (3.18) RSBBLE STREPLECHARE (Mandleap: Novices: £625: 2m)

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3.46 (3.48) GOLBORNE BURDLE (Novices: Handicap: £628: 2m)
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Russian Quison (Mrs B. Heath).
6-12-2 . M. Dickinson (7-1: 7
Alker Stanwick N. Balmer (12-2): 2
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Isedian Sai . J. Marshali . Saicy Sam, 16-1
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Mayso. 25-1 Venetian Bland, Dom
Enrice, Dubrovak, Caleta Prince,
Eagloidlem, Harry Churchillo, Oakley
Cross. Sicha-line, Proud Empire,
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103, 49. TOTE: Win, £1.69; places, 50p, 42p. 31p. H. S. Pople, Draitwich, 10l. 6l. 21p. H. S. Pople, Drottwich, 101, 61.
2.15 (2.20) **BEECHES FARM HURDLE (Handkapt 5781: 2m)

Bussa J., ch m. by Never Dwell—
Principal Girl W. Whiston),
9-10-11 ... Mr. P. Barry (14-1) 2

Market Melicity ... T. Canak (55-1) 2

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ALSO RAN: 6-1 Bishops Pawn (7),
17-3 Embargo, 9-1 Everstoil, Windmill Bog, 10-1 Pelonium (hi, Pacches, 13-1 Abide With Mo (7), 14-1
38 Tryst, Turner, 15-1 Penry, 30-1
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\$2.92, 93p. 56p. W, Whiston, 85

Fontwell Park 1.30 (7.31: CLIMPING STEEPLE-CHASE (2998: 25m) Canit, b g, by Canitsbay—Air Sil (K. Stah), 7-10-10 E. Smart (4-5) Flying Prince M. O'Halloran (9-1) Nobis Beauty . C. Brown (10-1) ALSO RAN: 4-1 Paddy's Dollght (41): 9-1 Indian Collage, 25-1 King Gloud (p): 6 ran.

Huntingdon selections

TOTE: Win, 18p: places, 15p, 31p; forecast, £1.00, Mrs J. Pilman, at Lambourn, Nk. 151. Lambourn, NE. 151.

3.0 (C.3) PAGHAM HURDLE (Handicap: £192.12m 11)

Plinter Tack, b. h. by Right Tack—
Trynhem (Mrs. J. Brickmall),
5-11-5 (M TOTE: Wip. £1.01; places, 28p. 42p. 10p. £1.14. N. Wakis, at Pelworth. Bl. 7. Mister Tack was bought in for 560 ALSO RAN: 13-8 (av Brantridge Farmer, 7-1 September Rain, 12-1 Sadalv V (13th; 13-1 Meave (p), 16-1 Investra, 8 ran.

TOTE: Win, 62p; places, 19p, 16p, 24p; dual litrecast, 95p, D. Moriey, at Bury St. Edminds. 2.1, 10t.

Hill Prince (Essex Caravana), 10-5 ... S. Hives (2-1 R fav. 1 Rusthall K. Mooney (2-1 h fav. 2 Rustmare ... R. Champion (7-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 11-2 Friendry Builder, 10-1 Vivacissimo 1-thi, 50-1 Anneline, Colden Breeze (8), 7 ran. TOTE: Win, 42p: places, 18p, 16p; dual forecast, 54p, W. Spephenson, Royston, 25l, 1'al, Shuwaiman did not run. 3.30 (3.36) SELSEY STEEPLECHASE (Novices: £967, 34m) Glasgow Espress, b g, by Royal Palace—Bewliching (M. Rosy). 6-10-11 ... B. Smart (18-21 1 Court Shadow B. R. Daviss (5-11 2 Clever One ... G. Davinsil (33-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 6-1 fav King Neptune 151. R-1 French Censelsen (u., Cypsy Baron, 12-1 Double Brids), 14-1 Rose Manicou (f), 20-1 General Tam (p), 3-1 Dorme (44), Aberbour, 11 ran. TOTE Win, 67p; places, 15p, 16p, 34p, Mrs J. Pitman, Lambourn, 71, 11-1. Bushmoster did not run Protan, b g by Weish Rake— Princess Palm (J. O'Domoghue), B-0-15 . C Enright (20-1) ? Umsky . K. Mooney (3-1 Fav) 2 Selway . . . Mr G. Moore (7-1) 3 ALSO RAN: 11-2 Magic Love, 6-1 Comet Kohoutek, 15-2 Bunyer's Girt, Smittly Purchase, 10-1 Trae Sons (th), 20-1 Belonsir, 55-1 Shanada. 10 ran. TOTE: Win, £1.0: piaces, £2p, 17p, 21p: dual forecast, £1.50. J. O'Donoghue, Reignie, 3i, £1. Chameion did nui run. TOTE DOUBLE: Poor Boy, Classow Express: £24,20. Treble: Mister Tack. St Torbay, Prosen: £21,50. OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: All engagements (dead); Swinging Tribe.
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Trouble is brewing between one of Britain's biggest tennis sponsors, John Player and Sons, and the International Lawn Tennis Federation. It arises from the fact that Britain's Davis Cup tie against either Romania or Czechoslovakia has been switched to clash with the #60,000 grand prix tournament in Nottingham (sponsored by John Player) from June 5 to 12, thus depriving the tournament of Britain's leading players and other top Europeans.

It as seems likely Romania are 10 After their success last year, when they were beaten by Iraly in the European final at Wimbledon, Britain receive a bye to this year's emi-final round. They will play away, whichever country they oppose. The other semi-final ties in the two European zones are not study all the ties cannot be played at the same time.

John Player's contract with the Association of Tennis Professionals

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If, as seems likely, Romania are Britain's opponents, then like Nastise, a Nottingham fitalist last year, would be missing. If Czechoslovakia come through, Jan Kodes would have to miss Nottingham.

David Waye, the special events manager for John Player, said yesterday: "We have made it very clear to the International Federation, through the British Lawn Tennis Association, that we will be extremely disappointed if the Davis Cup tie is not rearranged to allow Mark Cox and the Lloyd brothers, and any other British players who might be chosen, to play in our tournament. They would all form a major part of our line-up along with players like Nastase and Kodes."

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is due for renewal next year, and it is being made clear that this is not the time to antagonize a leading sponsor when their kind are becoming few and far between for tournaments of this magnitude. Neither does it help in the players' preparation for Wimbledon, since the tie in Romania or Czechoslovakia would have to be played on a hard court when all the top players are seeking to get on to grass at that time of the year.

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David Gray, secretary of the international Federation and the Davis Cup nations, said that the committee had spent a lot of time discussing dates, and they felt they had arrived at the best soln. "If we played every semifinal after Wimbledon other European tournaments would be hit even harder by the absence of star players", he said.

Sponsors urge Davis Cup

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On the hook

Howard Hughes The Hidden Years **By James Phelan** (Collins, £3.75)

Tracking down Howard Hughes, which Mr Phelan claums to have done for the suit of Mister Kurtz, except that at the end, instead of who had outgrown his yen for TV-dinners and banana-nut icecreem. Since so little is really known of the evil financial transactions or the political arm-twistings Hughes did in his last years—though Mr Phelan gives a good account of this combination of Machiaveili, Gyro Gearloose and Timon of Athens—I think this may prove to be the most hilarious book of the year and cannot belp but make every reader feel superior to this rot-ting lumatic with his nine-

Who took him seriously? His large staff of yes-men (you could be promoted to mikado in Hughes's organization by sweeping the stairs properly, which is to say an inch at a time), the governor of Nevada (Hughes owned the state in any case), Richard and Donald Nixon, many hotel owners, the harem of seldom used—if that is the word-starlets whom Hughes kept "on the book", and many company chairmen. To the rest, he was quite rightly a joke-figure, whose

figure profits.

obsession with privacy made reporters into Hughes-spotters. He was probably there all along right under their noses, but since he weighed about sixty pounds soaking wet and Howard had long hair and fingernails Phelan was most likely mistaken for a for the feral child or an underfed past 20 years, must have been chimp who just happened to something like Marlow's pur-

This is not in any sense a getting a glimpse of a semi-savage crawling on all fours to unspeakable rites—a really in-teresting monster—all he saw was an emaciated billionaire like the alcohol baths, the haircut that Hughes made into a kind of Hindu surgery, the flights to such attractive places as Las Vegas and Nicaragua (the country did not marter: Hughes never left his room), his bizarre way with ham-burgers and his gourmandizing: candy, cookies, Campbell's chicken soup, aspirin, Valium and so forth.

> fearful and crazily meticulous. teartif and crazity menculous. He had a horror of contamina-tion but, being irrational, con-taminated himself. He was a hypochondrisc and, single-minded in this, succeeded in making himself fatally ill. The scale of his lunacy sets him apart, but I chink it would be wrong to conclude that he was only foolish, for as Mr Phelan only foolish, for as Mr Phelan points out he was a man of considerable power. One would like to know the names of the statesmen who, for their own reasons, him—there grovelled before must have been

> > Paul Theroux

The last word

The Spanish Civil War By Hugh Thomas

(Barnish Hamilton, £12.50; Penguin, £3.50) Nobody saw the Spanish civil war in clearer tones of black and red then the British. What was seen as the cause of the Spanish workers drew its main support in this country from the middle and upper classes, and in the list of writers and intellectuals who backed the republicans it would be hard to find anyone of working-class

origin.

This and other paradoxes were most lucidly resolved by Hugh Thomas in his great work when it first appeared 16 years ago, and it was then generally agreed that he had said the last word on the subject. the last word on the subject.
Only he could have disproved that contention, which he has now done majestically with a revised text, 400 additional pages and other new material. Few surviving partisans for either side can be so isolated from common humanity as to read without utter disgust the proven tale of almost daily strockies and reprisals commit ted by republicans and insurgents alike; and we can now see with less impassioned vision that both military groupings were ill-assorted alliances of men who followed widely differing regional, religious. political or social causes. The tragedy of the republicans was the lack of an aloof, ruthless integrator like Franco to hold their disparate parties together. However much falan-

gists, royalists and political

Quick guide

Hail and Farawell, by George Moore. Edited by Richard Cave (Colin Smythe, £20). Published in three volumes between 1911 and 1914, this is Moore's finest achievement, now reissued in one volume. Here are some of the funniest and least reverent word sketches of the Anglo-Irish great-W. B. Yeats. Lady Gregory and "dear Edward" Martyn. Here is style and history, entertainment and deeply concealed, all-pervading artistry. Mr Cave contributes a useful and lengthy introduction, with 80 pages of notes. There are close on 20 illustrations, including a very crooked and endearing photograph of Yeats and Moore outside Coole

Trials: Elvira Barney, by Peter Cotes; Brian Donald Hume, by Ivan Butler (David & Charles. £4.95 each). Two in a uniform series of Celebrated Trials, combining introductory commentary with edited transcripts. Elvira Barney's problem was that she was the daughter of the Chief Government Broker, born to be idle and rich. Hume's personality disorders, by contrast, are traced back to the fact that he never knew who his father was. Peter Cotes, a man of the theatre. has a suitably theatrical subject in Mrs Barney and her trial, which showed her play-

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while no one was looking.

Hughes was a classic case of paranoia; he was indecisive,

catholics might growl at one another, General Franco never

tolerated a shooting civil war within the civil war; in contrast to the vicious purges on the other side of the line. It is interesting to note evidence in this book of a widespread murual respect between some thoughtful revolutionary communists and anarchists on the one hand, and the more idealistic falangists on the other, all looking for social justice

all looking for social justice and a better society.

Foreign intervention was largely haphazard. The republicans got more planes and tanks from abroad, the insurgents more men and artillery pieces. Hitler and Stalin were both reluctant to do more than keep their protegies in the field and their proteges in the field and like the gods at Troy, alter-nately intervened and withdrew nately intervened and withdrew to prevent outright defeat while not ensuring victory. Mussolim sought military glory without overmuch political consideration, and his troops acquitted themselves with that caution for which Italian soldiers in this century have been so widely commended. so widely commended.

In a book of well over 1,000 pages, Professor Thomas rationalizes the most tortuous Thomas and puzzling of situations, covers every phase of military, ment, describes personae with the touch of a Dickens, and digested mass of statistics. He has indeed now said the last word, and all the words, on the subject.

Laurence Cotterell

writing defence counsel, Sir Patrick Hastings, at his his-trionic best. Cotes could be said to be close to the subject. He danced with her on the night she was acquitted. Yet while Mrs Barney was surely rightly acquitted and Hume, by his own confession, wrongly so (and eventually released only to mur-der again), it is the vicious spiv who gets more sympathetic treatment than the drug-taking "bright young thing". Mrs Barney, playing the notorious. desperate outcast, was dead four years after her acquittal. Hume, who was a play actor too, fancying the roles of romentic gentleman and swashbuckling outlaw, served eight years as accessory to one of his own murders, 17 years in Swiss prison for the second, and is now confined to Broad-

Squire Waterton, by Gilbert Phelps (E. P. Publishing, Bradford Road, East Ardsley, Wakefield, Yorkshire, £4.25). Schooled by the Stonyhurst Jesuits into a firm and unwavering Roman Catholic faith, yet by nature totally a non-conformist. Waterton the Yorkshire landed gentleman is the kind of eccentric who born 200 years earlier, would have delighted Aubrey. As it was, born nearly 50 years before Catholic Emancipation, he found public affairs—the normal safety-valve for a man his abundant energiesbecame a traveller in remote became a traveller in remote and dangerous places—South America chiefly—turned his estate into a wild-life sanctuary, and cured himself of all manner of physical ilis—he was accident-prone—by sticking to his single remedy—blood letting. Gilbert Phelps is not contant cimulu to cash in on the tent simply to cash in on the eccentricities, and have fun. He sees the strength and genuine originality of his man as well, recounts movingly the tragedy of Waterton's early-lost young wife, evokes the exotic backgrounds with authority, and writes a delightful biography of a man we all ought to

Travel books, in the Saturday Review, considered by Iverach

know more about than we do.

McDonald and Ion Trewin. Next week: Tim Heald on Sir William Hayter's life of Spooner (on Monday) ; Michael Ratcliffe on Macaulay's letters ; Tinniswood fiction on Thursday).

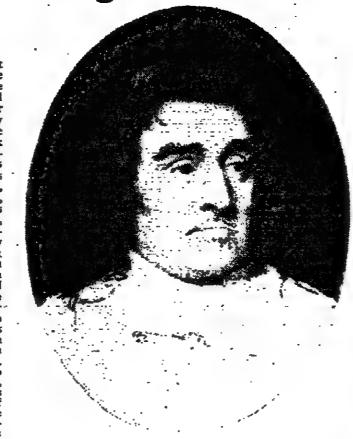
Honest George

General Monck By Maurice Ashley (Cape, £6.95)

When Samuel Pepys first set eyes on General George Monck in March, 1660, he noted: "Methought he seemed a dull heavy man." Later, after Charles II had been bloodlessly restored, largely through the General's agency, and Monck had become Duke of Albemarie and much else, Pepys watched him at dinner, at his house in the Whitehall cockpit, and was even more scornful, noting the "sorry company, his nasty wife, the dirty dishes, the bad mest and the ill dinner ". Other contemporary writers, notably Bishop Burnet and Lord Clarendon, had it in for the General: though in common parlance he earned the title of "honest George Monck". No one at all, so far as I know, had a good word to say for his wife Anne. She was a City milliner, with whom Monck had formed a liaison during a spell in the Tower. He was universally thought to have been a fool to marry her, for she was ugly, and he was the son of a Devon squire of ancient family. When he became a great man she shamelessly exploited his position for cash, though doubtless with his connivance, for be was

Monck was certainly dull; and Mr Ashley has produced a dull book, though a conscien-tious one. No life of Monck tious one. No life of Monck has appeared for 40 years, but it cannot be said Mr Ashley has turned up anything new of great importance. What he does is to take the reader, at a measured pace, through the various phases of Monck's career: as a mercenary soldier in expeditions against Spain and France, and in the Netherlands: as a young colonel is lands; as a young colonel in the Scottish campaigns 1638-40; as a brigade-commander in Ireland in the early 1640s; as a general in Scotland, and later the Commonwealth's chief administrator and com-mander-in-chief there; as an admiral against the Dutch; and finally as a kingmaker and

mean, ton.



Samuel Cooper's miniature of Monck

gious, but a great liking for stability, firm government, and peace and quiet. He was happy enough serving Oliver Crom-well, and would have served his son, roo, if Richard had not opted out: as he said.

"Richard forsook himself, elve I had never failed my promise to his father or my regard to his memory". Monck never fought directly against the Stuarts. On the other hand, he never stuck his neck out for the royalist cause; he helped to restore Charles II as an alternative to military rule or perliamentary fanaticism, and as the least of a number of evils. In so doing, he clearly represented majority opinion. Did he regret it? Very likely. He was disgusted by the mismanagement of the Dutch War. senior statesman.

What emerges strongly is that Monck was primarily a professional military man, with few convictions, civil or reli-

pimps and whores and all would "decline into Infamy and Decay"; then (the tale goes) "the good old man said with some Resentment he found them the truest Prophers he ever met in his Life."

Monck himself had no vices, other than chewing tobacco, and parsimony. His only amuse-ment was breeding borses. He was an exceptionally brave man, being afraid of nothing and no one, except his wife.

Mr Ashley demonstrates convincingly that he was a much more complicated and devious fellow than most of his con-temporaries supposed; and, if need be, highly untrustworthy. He and his wife were, in short, kind of dress-rehearsal for John Churchill and his grasp-ing Sarah. But, then, the seventeenth century was not con-spicuous for consistency or

Paul Johnson

Great romantic hero

Montrose The King's Champion By Max Hastings (Gollance, 57.50)

Cardinal de Retz said of James Graham, fifth Earl and first Marquess of Montrose: "He is Marquess of Montrose: "He is one of those men who are no longer to be found but in the Lives of Plutarch", and indeed, despite certain evidence of duplicity (the violation of the safe conduct he had given to Huntly, the leader of the Aberdeen rising) and indifference to cruelty (he was at least eather late in deploring least rather late in deploring at Invercarron (or Carbisdale, the outrages in that city after as Mr Hastings has it) from the outrages in that city after the battle in which he bad lost a dozen men, and the enemy a thousand) he remains and on the whole deserves to remain a great romantic hero.

Max Hastings intended popular biography:

I have tried to see the sights and hear the sounds of Scotland in the seventeenth century as contemporary observers say them...to curse the difficulties of keeping a muster match olight in a driving side of the county responsed to gale as the cnemy prepared to

A little worrying? But after all every amateur historian has that aim, though few are so

frank about it; a few professionals bring it off too, and write the best history. Mr Hastings successfully avoids the pit of hyperbole which awaits journalist historians. His accounts of Montrose's battles are clear and vivid, and admir-able maps further simplify them. Of course, he makes capital of the high romance of Montrose's best adventures— the unsuccessful attempt to invade Scotland, which he led disguised as a groom, in 1644; the tragic return to that country in 1650 after unsuccessfully appealing to Henrietta Maria in Paris; the rout which our hero fled on a borrowed horse, tearing the George and Garter from his tunic for fear of recognition, to surrender himself to Mac-

lead of Assynt and be sold for If not the finest chapter of Montrose's life, the noblest and most piteous was the last. If Mr Hastings quotes once more the familiar descriptions of the last journey to Edin-burgh, who shall blame him? He sat upon a little shelty horse, without a saddle, but a quilt of rags and straw, and pieces of rope for stirrups . . . a ragged old dark reddish

plaid, a montrer cap, called Magirky, on his head...".
Then came the entry into the city, on a hangman's cart, his arms bound so that he could not raise a hand to protect himself against the stones which would be thrown at him. But no stones came But no stones came.

When a Puritan railed him for combing his hair in readiness for his execution, he answered: "While my head is my own, I dress and arrange it. Tomorrow, when it is yours, you may treat it as you please." Skill in choosing one's last words is an absolute prereouisite nero.

A good subject, then. If this biography concentrates on the story rather than attempting very much evaluation or criticism, it is a good story. Others may make better history of it, but Mr Hastings grasps every corner of the plot which can be burnished and shone to reflect well on his subject. Taking it all in all, about the most severe criticism I care to make that the dating of evenus is insufficiently clear; would that all publishers of biography or history would place a running date at the top of every page.

Derek Parker

Fiction

Introduction 6 Stories by New Writers (Faber, £3.95) Agents of a Foreign

Power By Peter Prince (Gollancz, £3.80)

Some excellent writers have reached the top by way of Introductions and if there are a few misses per volume, they are generally near ones. In this collection, there is one lively short play about a couple of Australian fairground hands, by John McKendrick; three stories set in modern Africa, bush and township, carefully and evocatively described by Victor Kelleher; a zany devastatingly witty spoof, done in what one might call mixed media, by John Abulafia, about a scientific hoax—it is intelligent, revealing of human folly, ambition, competitiveness and envy, very, very neat. And then we have as good a short story as one might get from any writer, new or not. And

Thomas Healy. Mr Healy hazn't dared to spread his wings and leave the nest yet. He is still writing autobiographical sketches of a boyhood in poor Glasgow. There is nothing really new in his subject-metter and occasionelly he staggers towards sionally he staggets towards dream the American dream, the sentimental and self-pity-fumble with girls and cars. ing-familiar, boggy territory for writers like this, who've had it rough and rough. I hope' he brings himself to forget it, because he is a writer to his fingertips; everything is there, awareness, sensitivity, curi-osity, intelligence, and the gift, which is worth everything, of putting it all down elegantly,

easily and with absolute cer-tainty of touch. He has not yet learned how to shape a newly realised, fully finished short story out of his raw material, but he has a natural selectiveness. All the rest will follow. He does know how to make his characters emerge, how to draw them out of the prose narrative as a modeller draws up the clay. There is a shambling, inept father, who must beg ten bob from his sharp, hostile wife for beet—the shame he feets, his shrivelled pride and her ruthlessness are pride and her ruthlessness, are raw, and the eyes of his children are upon him. They draw conclusions, feel sorry,

and yet pass judgment. Thomas Heaty has an exciting talent and so has Jim Crace, to judge by "Annie, California Plates", a gem of a story about a hitch-hiker trying y about a inter-inter sying to get from Nevada to New York. Annie, the heroine, is the car which takes him, Within a few pages, Mr Crace builds up a world beyond the immediate story, several characters and some suspense. characters and some suspense, as well as conveying the wonderful open freeways, the joy of riding, and the ending is neat and richly comic.

is hard to come to grips with Peter Prince's new novel simply because in it he carries ellipsis to the point of incomprehensibility. He has been writing television plays recently (excellent ones), but in prose fiction has no visual image to back up and enlighten events and dialogue that jerk about with a certain unre-

A group of boys at a gremmar school in the late 1950s mark the time to adulthood in weariness, frustration occasional carburete outbursts. form a bad skiffle group. They are gauche, sensitive and self-conscious. But Max, much older and of foreign parentage, is different. Max, mysteriously still at school at 22, has the knack; drives a fast car, dresses sharply, is on his way up and off.

Mr Prince is an original and

bit more in the know. The endtion, is quite baffling.

Dreams of Revenge, by Kevin Casey (Paber, £3.25). One day perhaps, when the whole situation is resolved, someone will write as good a novel about the current Irish situation as J. G. Farrell's masteroiece about their background, about their background, Troubles. That someone might just be Kevin Casey, who knows his Belfast and Dublin, and can convey quite well the private, individual reaction to public horror. He has a clean, clear style—his opening chapter is worthy of Graham Greene, in the tense, economical but dramatic way it sets up a murky story. But his tale is a very ordinary one. Of course—of course, that is part of the points purely as life. of the point—mundane life continues, as Anden pointed out, with people "just walking duly along". But sheer imations thould have ginative power should have lifted the depressed biogra-pher, Michael Waldron, and his two women, casual Barbara, doomed Anna, out of their unremarkable rut.

by Guy Bellamy (Secker & Warburg, £3.50). Comic writing in the Lucky-Jamesian manner is normally difficult. Heroes like ex-schoolmaster, launderette manager Bobby Booth used to spring up in fiction weekly and later find their way into series Crawford. television although Guy Bellamy's plot is carelessly worked out and collapses in a sprawling heap at the end, he has a great sparkle, humour, knows how to make the most of a potentially corny situation. Bobby and lovely Caroline have problems in con-ceiving, a subject about which meny jokes can be made, but not many good jokes. They are

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Untouchables

My Years in an Indian Prison By Mary Tyler

arrested on vague charges of association with Navalite revo-lutionaries. For the next five years she was held without trial in Binar jails.

It was three years before Miss Tyler was given any clear almost given up hope of ever account of the charges against seeing again. her. She was then surprised to learn that, according to the police version of events, she had been found wandering in the jungle, armed with subversive pamphlets and a bottle of acid, and had been part of an unlawful assembly that had thrown bombs at a police Station.
There seems no reason to

doubt Miss Tyler's own description of these charges as "pure fiction". She had in Four factor. She had in fact gone to India to stay with the family of a young Bengali, Amalend: Sen, whom she had met in Europe and whose left wing views she shared. Their friendship blossomed and a few montas after her arrivel in Colorite that the married in Calcutta they were married in

a Hinda caremony.

The poverty and squalor of Calcutta, beyond anything she had imagined, had a profound impact on Miss Tyler. The ever present reminders of the degradation in which most In-dians live made it impossible for her to enjoy the exotic India of the tourist brochures, and her political views naturally inclined her to sympathy with the Nazahite move-

Naxalites take their name from the village of Nax-albari in North Bengal which in early 1967 was me scene of an armed peasant uprising against the big landowners and moneylenders of the region. Similar outbreaks occurred elsewhere and for a time the Nazaite movement until ruth-lessly countered by the Indian government, was seen as the stirring of a Maoist-type revolution in India.

volution in India.

Throughout her five years in jail, Miss Tyler never concealed her sympathy for the Nazalites, though she is coy about saying whether she agrees with their advocacy of violence. Perhaps naively, but certainty sincerely, she sincerely, she convinced that they remains are one of the few healthy signs in a country where, as she puts it, "justice is the exception and injustice the

rule". Whatever her views, no evidence was ever produced that Miss Tyler was guilty of the criminal acts of which she was accused. She and her husband, who had taken her on a trip to some of the rural districts of Bengal, appear to have been picked up almost by chance in one of the periodic police sweeps of suspected Naxalites.

Delhi correspondent 1972-1975

She was one of about 50 co-defendants when she finally came to trial on June 23, 1975

after countless postponements. Hardly had the trial begun (Gollance, 55.20)

In June, 1970, in the Singhbhum district of India, on the
Bengal and Bihar Border, Mary
Tyler, a young schoolteacher
from North London, was

Total public prosecutor
announced he was withdrawing
all charges "on grounds of
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célèbre which the Tyler case ence to the political cause célèbre which the Tyler case had by then become in relations between London and Delhi, A day or two later she found berself a deportee on an aircraft taking her back to England and a family she had

> The special horrer of Miss Tyler's story is that as a for-eigner she was, by comparison with most other prison io-mates, a VIP, talked about in the newspapers, visited by British Consular officials and entitled under rules dating from the Raj to certain privileges of diet and accommodation. Yet even with these factors in her favour she went for five years without trial.

In a country where this could happen and still be considered to be within the requirement of Indian law that requirement of Indian law that a detained person shall be produced before a magistrate within 24 hours of arrest and every 15 days thereafter, one wonders why Mrs Gandhi felt any need for the paraphernatia of emergency legislation when she decided on the wholesale incarceration of her political opponents.

Most of Miss Tyler's co-defendants, including her hus-band, are still in prison, shac-kled in medieval fetters. Her own release could almost cer-minly have been brought about much sooner if she had been prepared to "confess" and accept a separate trial. To her credit, though to the annoyance of some British offi-cials, she refused this offer,

believing, probably rightly, that any such "confession" would have been used to incriminate her companions.

At least Miss Tyler and her husband were aware of the risks their political views entailed. The vast majority of her fellow immates—many of whom had been detained as long or longer without erial—were inside for little better reason than that they came from the bottom of the Indian afford the necessary bribe to secure their release: backward tribal people. Untouch heap and could not tribal people, Untouchables, bonded labourers accused of violence against their owners.

Miss Tyler tells her story well, in a matter of fact, rather

prim and schoolmistressy prose. It is a tale of courage Drim and mental stamina. From ber cell she saw Indian life in mic rocosm, its poverty, corruption and elaborate caste hierarchies. She is an acute observer and gained insights which few foreigners could hope for in a lifetime in India.

Michael Hornsby

Poetry

Behind the Eyes, by Edgell Rickword (Carcanet, £3.25) Fully Empowered, by Pablo Neruda (Souvenir, £3.50 &

Residence on Earth, by Pablo Neruda (Souvenir, 25 & 23)
The Awful Rowing Toward God, by Anne Sexton (Chatto & Windus, \$2.50) Texts, by Helmut Heissenbüt-tel (Marion Boyars, £7.50)

The chief impression that comes from the poems of Edgell Rickword is one of reticence and necessity. Here is a man who has not written more than he must. Behind the Eyes is called variously his "collected" poems (on the jacket) and his selected" (on the title page). The publisher's confusion betrays an interesting truth. Rick-word's collected is his selected. The process of faltering has been done for us by the poet's own acute critical sense—and to judge the strength of that you have only to remember that he was the critic who cleared the way for Leavis and Scruting with his Calendar of Modern Letters back in the Twenzies. Most of Rickword's poems date from the state period. He began with a handful of war poems quite unlike asyone else's. I shall be mad if you get smashed about. A soldier capable of addressing his own body with a joke as hardas that is plainly nearer Keith Douglas than Ruper; Brooke, Rickword's few poems from the tranches have a curiously Most of Rickword's poem trenches have a curiously Second World War air about them. They are clean of solemn rhetoric—no praise and no pro-test, just acceptance of the facts, and a style founded upon wit and a will to live He ex-tended the same style in some notable erotic lyrics in the decade that followed.

Since I have seen you do those intimate things that other men but dream of ; bull asleep the sinister dark forest of your hair and tie the bows that stir on your cdm breast faintly as leaves that shudder their sleep; since I have seen your stocking swellow up, a swift black wind, the flame of pour pale foot . . .

Then followed a number of nore ratiocinative things, poems about chaos and cosmogony, nearly shways in strict metre and rayming with a classical finality, and then the satires. The poem shout the art fraud.
Twiningpan is outstanding smong these, and To the Wife of a Non-Interventionist Statesmo seems to me one of the very few good Twentieth-century poems to have been written our of a political passion. Whether Rickword's involve-

ment in politics inhibited or not say. There are only eight poems written since 1938 that e now wishes to preserve, and most of these are slight and occasional compared with intense work he did at the height of his powers. All his work is worth having however, and this volume is an impressive reminder of a neglected When I said that there were

not many good Twentieth-century poems written out of a political passion I should have added—in English. Two
volumes of translations from
the Spanish of Pablo Neruda
bave served to remind me of the stature of this extraordinary poet. Fully Empowered is a bilingual edition of Plenos Poderes (1962), Neruda's favourite collection, which he specifically asked Alastair Reid to translate into English.

Residence on Earth brings together three successive Spanish volumes in versions by Donald W. Walsh that keep almost literally to the sense of the original. We have had no modern poet in English who could write with such burning simplicity about the great issues of our time. The poems should be read as a whole—as an elo-quent and noble outpouring, a series of impassioned speeches. It is the way Neruda made his politics out of the immediate and the personal which is so

nearest thing to him in English is Robert Burns. Anne Sexton's The Awful Rowing Toward God collects the work she was writing in the last years of her life, just be-fore her death at the age of 46 in 1974. These are ambitious ing of existence, the eternal verities (and uncertainties) as seen through the eyes of a gifted but very unhappy woman in the grip of a terminal illthink in images, and her courage in going on writing right into her death, as it were, deserves respect. My only objection to these poems is that the strong feelings are insufficiently put to any test of significant form. Pain and love and terror dash down the pages in a nightmare flood, but the lack the edge of what she has to tell

convincing. Bread, brother-hood, the freedom of the spirit these are his themes. The

Texts is a brilliant assemblage of bits and pieces by a German poet working in the tradition of Kurt Schwitters, cutting up everything in sight, teasing meaning out of nonsense, standing nonsense on its head to see how serious it can be made to seem. These versions by Michael Hamburger have an agreeable elegance. I like the way Heissenbüttel keeps almost telling you a story. If he told you the story it would be less.

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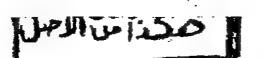
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acclaimed successes fallen by

the wayside, victims as much of fashion as of time, it is wonderful to see that the humour and humanity of Williams's play still succeeds, whatever the current stage convention.

Broadway, too, has recently been busy reclaiming the fine early plays of Williams with resounding success. Perhaps it is the language, that passion-heightened rhetoric so often mocked, that keeps the plays valid. The achievement of the Arts Theatre production in Cambridge is that it makes the

Cambridge is that it makes the language vital and immediate

despite a sometimes losing battle against rising English

As well as a requirement for distinctive American voices Williams brought a large requirement for stage magic to the play; a violin in the wings

for romance; a narrator who is a principal character in the

story; transparent scrims which allow theatrical present and

theatrical past to exist at the

The magic happens in large measure in Jonathan Lynn's production; it is given force, by new music provided by Ray Cook and by James Aubrey's fine juggling of past and present as Tom in the strong and forceful performance.

and forceful performance. Those are unusual characteris-

tics in the role, but they serve to remind us that Tom has actually fled that home when he tells his tale.

The story of the domineering

mother who bullies her son into

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caller" for her crippled daughter becomes funder than I have ever seen it, and yet retains its poignancy. The 'ill-fated meeting of the caller and the daughter becomes absolutely believable in Angus MacInnes's handling of the part of the clumsy and arrogant caller who shatters Laura's glass world.

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latest arrival is Simon Gray's Otherwise Engaged, which opened at the Fymouth last week to a more than respectful reception from the press.

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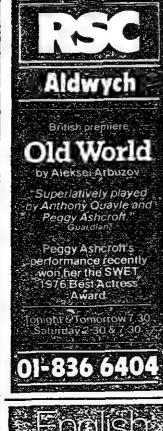
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town. Even the accents of the inhabitants of this Gray-Pinter no-man's-land somewhere be-tween NW1 and NW3 have the tween NW1 and NW3 have the ring of veracity, and authentic British inflections on Broadway are as rare as the tones of Tennessee down Shaftesbury Avenue. Gray's literary village, where the middle aged are out to tear themselves apart and the young simply scrounge, is brought to life by a supporting cast which is probably better than the original one in the Wert End, with Nicolas Coster's whisky-swilling critic outstanding.

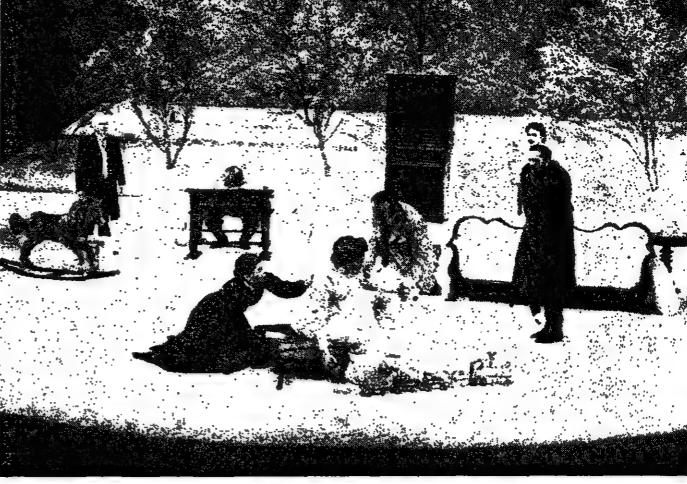
My only reservation concerns
Tom Courtenay, who is making
his Broadway debut as Simon,
simply because he presents the
leading character as one mass
of reservation. This is a very
downbeat Simon, even shabby
in his floppy blue woolly, unsmiling as he tries to put up
barriers against the intruders.
Courtenay brings intelligence
and a touch of supercibiousness
to the role, but he lacks Alan
Bates's sheer animal authority
and the bite with which the first
Simon attacked Mr Gray's ironic
lines. Simon relishes his isolation as well as his own My only reservation concerns tion as well as his own attractiveness which causes the front doorbell to punctuate Parsifal so frequently. Tom Courtenay, on the opening night at least, was too monkish.

A few doors down at the A few coors down at the Music Box the red, red robin has been bob, bob, bobbin along now for a couple of months in Trever Griffiths's Comedians, Harold Pinter went to great efforts to maintain the London style in Otherwise En-gaged; Mike Nichols's approach to Comedians is much harsher than its National Theatre counterpart. It is no surprise that the one member of the Waterloo Road cast he has shipped across is Jonathan Pryce, whose per-formance as the bristle-pated Gethin is at the centre of the production. Gethin's jokes in this evening class of would-be comics are filled with hatred, and Nichols is out to show the dirty underside of the banana skin. He puts the smiles on the faces of the sudience and wipes them off with the horror of someone in the middle of a

story who suddenly realizes he will offend half his listeners. The only softness in a play which upends conventional ideas about funty men comes from Milo O'Shea as Eddie Waters, the comic who has been reduced to conducting classes in his craft. No one could believe in Mr O'Shea as Eddie, the Lancashire Lad; he has clearly never got closer to Liverpool than the ferry ticket counter in Dublin docks. Yet Mr O'Shea's gentleness, his mixture of bafflement and acceptance of what is going on around him, are all very much in key with Trevor Griffiths's play — he is the Hans Sachs whose ears are not closed to

of someone in the middle of

new songs. Even the current hit of the straight theatre, Sly Fox, has British origins. The reynard in question is Volpone, updated a



The homecoming of Mme Ranevskaya (Irene Worth)

few hundred years and trans-planted to San Francisco, repre-sented in George Jenkins's sented in George Jenkins's smart set by a spray of masts of well-filled merchant vessels. George C. Scott doubles as Foxwell J. Sly, who is busy filling his travelling chest with gifts from those who might "benefit" from his death, and the Judge who pronounces sentence on him for tumbling the wife of his accountant—" Rape is the most hideous crime known to man, and it can be pretty rough on a woman too". Scott, gravel-voiced and leeringly confidential as he leaps in and out of sick bed, enjoys himself as Foxwell, but the real relish is reserved for the Judge in the courtroom amply equipped with

reserved for the Judge in the courtroom amply equipped with chorus girls and liquor. There he has less competition from Hector Elizondo's quicksilver Simon Able, an expertly nippy wessel in Scott's Fox. Larry Gelbart has stripped Ben Jonson to the buff and reclothed him with a rich new wardrobe of jokes most of them hawdy. of jokes, most of them bawdy.

attached to Hellzapoppin, which soon became known as Hellzafloppin before ending its life in Boston a fortnight ago. The current issue of the magazine New York charts the running row between the star, Jerry Lewis, and the producer, Alexander Cohen, which has left someone \$1.3m out of pocket. This is a barrelful of acrimony in three, four, five and seven letter words.

What is left is mainly black, Bubbling Brown Sugar and The Wie from previous seasons and a revival of Guys and Dolls from this one. The latter re-turn to Frank Loesser, which was once among the plans of London's National Theatre, is drawing in the audiences but elicits little delight from me. The all-black cast whack out every song to up-tempo rhythms, and the subtlety of Loesser's lyrics and music are lost within seconds. Vitality is no substitute for interpretation. Some of those who want to of jokes, most of them bawdy. Refined it may not be, entertaining it surely is.

For once in midwinter the musical scene on Broadway looks second-hand and out of date. Most of the hopes—and most of the advertising in the theatre programmes — were show how his songs should be know how his songs should be sung have made their way have made their way have made their way have in Greenwich Village, where his widow, Jo Sullivan, has just opened a season. The evening begins with the composer intoning *Once in love

with Amy " through the crackles of an old record;

crackles of an old record; thereafter Jo Sullivan takes over husband's songs and ignores those of everyone else. The voice has body and dashes of brilliance, but most of all it can inflect a line and point an epigram. Heopy to Make Your Acquaintance, Miss Sullivan.

Some of the best New York entertainment is to be found in restaurants or supper clubs such as the Ballroom or Brothers and Sisters, where a plump, jolly lady called Marcia Lewis has been dispatching songs in accomplished revus style. At the other end of the style. At the other end of the spectrum—and town—there are the Joseph Papp productions in the Lincoln Centre. It may be unethical to review the new Cherry Orchard at the Vivian Beaumont Theatre before it has been officially shown to the press, but the quality of the first of the public previews was sufficient to blow ethics aside.

Andrei Serban has achieved the best Chekhov staging that I have seen in years. He has worked with Peter Brook for some time and the hand of the master is visible, not least in style. At the other end of the

master is visible, not least in Santo Loquasto's brilliant white set which dazzles in the way that Brook's Dream did. The drapes on the furniture are out-

shone by the luminous carpet until that in turn gives way to the cherry orchard itself, shimmering like the early morning snow in Central Park. The landscape of Act II is a sea of white punctuated by the silhouettes of homeward-bound figures tug-ging a plough with them, almost a scene from The Childhood of Maxim Gorky. The smell of Russia is here as it is smell of Russia is here as it is in the ornate pavilion, white again, used for the ballroom scene. Finally, we are left with nothing but blankness, an empty stage. The toy trains, the rocking horse, the model of the house itself, have gone. White, white, white.

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John Higgins

White, white, white.
At the centre of this swancoloured orchard is Irene
Worth's Mme Ranevakaya, imperious, self-centred yet con-stantly suggesting that her composure is about to crack. Raul

the Olivier!

Yet, despite engaging performances from all players, there are flaws. Connie Booth too often comes to a complete stop in her lines, interrupting the rhythms she begins to develop so well. Maxine Audley's Amanda, comic as she becomes, is too much the harridan, too loud for too long. Her quiet recol-lection of meeting her vanished husband shines in contrast.

julia, whom I have previously admired in musical comedy, is an equally imposing Lopakhin, exuding virility and energy. The whole cast is of a quality rarely encountered, and Serban pays them the compliment of rushing nothing. There is time to pause, to sayour and to admire in the white glow of the cherry blossom and of Chekhov. What a preduction to import to

queen limbering up for the

forthcoming victory with her tracksuited bandmaidens.

History and reported speech, in short, are discarded in favour of "the contemporary situation of sexual roles vis-k-vis the women's movement".

Any nonsense about classical

heroes is further set aside by a stage consisting of scaffolding and mobile walls, which fit in all too well with the tracksuits, fencing masks and bamboo swords. Abstract stylization is

presumably the aim, but the affect is to relocate the play in

a symnasium; an impression faithfully supported by Cindy Oswin's actors; who firmly eliminate any hint of bloodshed or sexual frenzy and present

a clean hardfought contest for the honour of the school, and-

ing on a warning note when the head girl's two prefects turn against her for letting down the

There are one or two good moments, such as a tense little

status game between Achilles (Chris Ferris) and his new aide.

But the aimless chases over the scaffolding, duels with anonymous Trojans and the obliteration of dialogue under playful rough and tumbles and

kite-flying, leave one longing for one of Kleist's messengers

to arrive and describe the events instead.

Les Luthistes Thomas Walker

Wigmore Hall

Les Luthistes may sometimes by six or eight hands that their names conjures up. But on Tuesday only one luce was visible on the stage of Wig-more Hall, sandwiched between

a bass viol and a vocal duo.

That was an adequate, if limited ensemble for the repertory of seventeenth century English lovesong itself not without limitation. The objusive conventionality of pastoral and comic naughtiness was fairly well compensated by strong music. The selection of airs, duets and dialogues ranged from Alfonso Ferrabosco and Robert Jones (both published in 1609) through a group by William and Henry Lawes, to Henry Purcell at the century's end. Paul Elliott was a convincing

shepherd and a practised wag, with a variety of acerbigesture that belied the smooth fullness of his voice. His partner in peccadillo was Alison Horribea, no less responive, if a mifle tremulous at the

Lutes need to be heard as Lutes need to be heard as well as seen. I cannot believe that the rule about having the bass line played on a bowed instrument is inviolate, at least in the earlier pieces. I say that not to deprecate the viola da gamba playing of Mark Caudle, which was energetic and fluid enough. But with little or no middle, the music often sounded incomplete.

The Ferraporca source energetic and

The Ferrabosco songs suffered most in that respect. Jones's fared better because of Jones's fared better because of their sweeter counterpoint their sweeter counterpoint between the outer voices, and they were also helped along by the more explicitly comic texts, in which sexual imagery paraded as music ("As I lay Lately") or archery ("Now have I learned").

have I learned ").

The Italianate dialogues of William Lawes and Purcell were specially entertaining, but I felt a pang of sympathy with the conclusion of the latter's Dialogue between a Girl and a Boy: "There's something, something something were year. something, something more we want ".

Rossini on 16 grand pianos

Sixteen grand planos will be played simultaneously in Har-rods Central Hall on Saturday roos central Hall on Sauruay at noon when young artists from the Park Lane Group perform Rossini's Overture Semiramide in Czerny's arrangement for 32

The programme will continue with the Reizenstein Variations The Lambeth Walk Revisited for solo piano, the Fauré/Chabrier Quadrilles on Wagner's Ring for piano duo, and will end with the American composer Douglas Leedy's 88 is Great for nine pianists at one piano.

The concert launches a series of 14 short recitals to be given in Harrods Central Hall on February 12, 14, 15, 16 and 17 under the auspices of the Park Lane Group. All the artists have appeared in the PLG's South Bank series in recent

Un ballo in maschera

Covent Garden

William Mann

made his Covent Garden debut in 1954, it is sad that he has sung no more than three roles there in the intervening decades, for if ever there was a stylish and musicianly tenor it is Gedda. Fortunately be has now added a fourth, King Gustavus in Verdi's Un ballo in maschera, currencly revived at the Royal Opera House with some other changes of cast. Gedda's voice has grown more

Considering that Nicolai Gedda

powerful over the years but it is still no trumpet-tenor. Quality and skilled projection have brought Gustavus (like Cellini) into his repertory, rather than quantity of sound. For sheer beauty of singing he saved his best until "Ma se m'è forza perderti" in the penultimate scene, but artistry had been abundant from the beginning, especially in the laughing ensemble "E scherzo od e follia" where traditional intro-

folia" where traditional intrusive chuckles were reserved for
the end bur dapper merriment
had pervaded his unfolding of
the melody from the first.
His portrayal of the Swedish
King owes little to history. In
the opening scene Gedda is all
smiles and foppery, ramrod
deportment, lorgette at the
ready, and warnly effusive with
the page Oscar—no wonder. the page Oscar—no wonder, with Norma Burrowes on stage in the part, as delicious to observe as to hear.

observe as to hear.

Gedda does not emphasize the
King's gay streak since in
Verdi's opera his love is chiefly
for Amelia, his loyal friend's for Amelia, his loyal friend's wife, and that love must be fully expressed, if justice is to be done to Verdi's love music, as it certainly was in the second act on Tuesday.

The new Amelia, Liliana Moinar-Talajic (she sang the Trovatore Leonora here two years and

years ago), has a big voice and a wide range of colour, nor in itself a lovely soprano sound but capable of impressive and



Nicolai Gedda

rich chest tones, a pure and fine soft top register, a grand outpowing of impassioned line. A tendency to sing flat was A tendency to sing flat was to be regretted, likewise some initial squalling: As an actress she needs more careful production for her gestures as for her capacious physique. She did not inflect or articulate her music as eloquently as she coloured her voice; so much was betrayed in the love duet where Gedda illuminated phrases and words with sovereign artistry. sovereign artistry.

Miss Burrowes is as pretty and jaunty and delightful-sounding an Oscar as any we have seen for years. She matched Gedda's line and wooing one in the laughing ensemble, turned "Volta laterrea" into a comic one-up-manship ploy against the Minister of Justice (Francis

Egerton reacted with splendid petulance) as well as a piece of bravura quicksilver, and graced "Saper vorreste" so brilliantly and effortessly that we half ex-pected her so saunter round the stage holding an interpolated top C as Selma Kurz is reputed Yuri Masurok has returned as

1 powerful, frigid Anckarstroem. maryellously contained in his vocal generosity.

Edward Downes seems,

ever, an enthusiastic, searching champion of Verdi's score. The drab Schenk production begins to look less gloomy.

It was announced on Tuesday that the 1976 Evening Standard award for opera would be presented to Colin Davis by Edward Heath last night at Covent Garden before

night at Covent Garden before the performance of Weber's Die Freischütz.

Man of the trees The two largest pictures in

Landscape artists have always had a problem when painting trees. They either attempt to paint the leaves one by one, reshorthand, or, like Cézanne and Corot, reduce the millions of small shapes to a single, sim-plified shape. Paul Gaisford, who is showing his very fine recent pictures of trees in various settings at the Langton Gallery, 3 Langton Street, SW10, has chosen to paint leaves in broad yet delicate blocks of impasto. He is a former student of the Slade and notable canvases owe more to pose densely populated areas trees to flourish with greater the sombre, broody landscapes against dramatic, wintry skies. success, of Courbet than to the spatial In all his paintings there is a recoccupations of Cezanne. very strong sense of light, and March 5.

the two largest pictures in the exhibition are remarkably fine. The brilliantly controlled Beech Trees, Brightling Park, Sussex, and Sussex Landscape are both expertly composed. Here the artist has captured something of the nobility that surrounds large trees—an extraordinary achievement. This, he does by keeping the ground and does by keeping the ground and sky levels to a minimum, and giving almost the whole height of the picture to the trees. The of the picture to the trees. The sional quality a picture needs if result is that Mr Gaisford's it is to be convincing. But beeches, oaks and silver birches judging by the 50 pictures on all seem to tower over us as view there are few-landscape mer student of the Slade and all seem to tower us as Camberwell art schools, and in they do in nature. In his paint-both places Cézanne has a great influence. However, his most favourite techniques is to juxta-

of the pictures has been carefully muted. This tonal change is seen at its most effective in Cattle, Early Morning, a wonderfully atmospheric picture of faded vermilion and misty slate-

his abundant skill in reorganizing the shapes of his trees to interfere with the three-dimenpainters today more capable than Paul Gaisford, and none who has allowed a passion for trees to flourish with greater

Barry Fantoni

there are several splendid studies of cows in which the key greys.
Sometimes the painter allows

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from

Penthesilea

Round House Inving Wardle

As Kleist's Penthecilea is un-known to English audiences, some thanks are due to the Battersea Salt Theatre for drawing attention to this ultimate sex war play in which the Amezon hordes descend on llium, slaughtering Greeks and Trojans alike, hauling off prisoners to sire their next genera-tion, and witnessing their Queen's fatal passion for Achilles I had wondered how a small.

experimental company would come to terms with Kleist's elsvated neoclassical verse, circles of attentive listeners for prolonged battle descriptions, and the discharge of what my trans-lation calls "Levin-bolts". No problem: the lights go down, a catlike figure glides across the floor, and with the line "Hello, soldier" the first guard bites the dust.

We then find Odysseus and Achilles hunched over a tea chest playing a game with old tin cans and discussing the state of the siege in round south London tones; closely followed by the first sight of Sandy Maberley as the virgin

LSO/Levine Festival Hall

Joan Chissell

Righty minutes is the approximate timing suggested for Mahler's sixth symphony in the printed score. With a brief breather after the first movement, James Levine's performance with the LSO on Tuesday lasted just about 85 minutes. They played at straight through without interval break and let is stand alone in the programme so as to heighten the impact of what that dedicated Mahlerian, Deryck Cooke, once described as

Deryck Cooke, once described as "a truly tragic catastrophe akin to those in Greek and Shake-spearian drama".

Though not everyone sees this music in quite such cosmic light, the finale's catastrophe is certainly shattering. Mr Levine, a man of the theatre, seized his chances here superbly sending chances here superbly, sending cold shivers down the spine from the very start with sinister snarls and jabs as well as shrieks of pain from every department of an outsize orchestra. The two famous hamous tracks and parts are strictly and the same of the sam orchestra. The two famous hammer strokes were not quite outstanding enough in timbre from Tuesday's bass drum. The off-stage cowbells too, evoked the canteen kitchen as much as Mahler's intended Alpine pastures. But in general it would be difficult to over-praise the virtuosity of the LSO in this

performance, individually, sectionally and as a whole. Mr Levine had them keyed up to a quite exceptional degree of in-tensity, total brightness and sheer volume, Climaxes were roof-raising. The taumess of Mr Levine's

rhythm was a great source of strength. His sense of direcstrength. His sense of direction was unflagging throughout all four movements, and such drive left no doubt of the inexorable forces of fate in which Mahler saw himself caught up. Allowing the brass its head in so much of the first two movements also brought home the starkness of the message. Possibly Alma Mahler's songful second subject in the first movement was somewhat overmovement was somewhat over-driven. Certainly Mahler's escape to the mountain tops at that point was not remote enough.

enough.

The slow movement is marked undante moderato and Mr Levine rightly did not turn it into an adagio. But he could sometimes have suggested a deeper, remoter withdrawal here too. In so heavily scored a work, nothing was more magical than the touch of celesta in the last few bars.

Since rapport between conductor and players was so close throughout, it is good to hear that they are currently recording the symptony together. On Sunday night Mr Levine will rejoin the orthestra in a different programme before taking leave of the South Bank for a while.

The mini lives

have any choice. When Courreges launched the mini-skirt in 1965 he was the last designer to transcend the barriers of class, age, and economics and to make the masses docile to a style whether it suited them or not. In fact. Mary Quant might be more truly said to be the progenitor of the mini, since her ear was closer to the socio-logical ground than I imagine any rench couturier's could afford to be. But it was Andre Courreges who made the mini respectable, universal and, incidentally, reaped the financial barvests which so often accrue to those who hasten to be first to be second. In any case it is probably unfair to say second in the instance of the brilliant Basque. No fashion can be said to be successful until it is accepted as a mass trend (nowadays the masses get smaller, perhaps we should say by a reasonable proportion of the populace). Though some few brave souls rook a shine to Mary's revelations, it took the authority of Paris and the genius of an outstanding craftsman to get the right idea off on the right foot.

Thy was the mini suddenly acceptable? I think for the same reasons— although greatly amplified—as the flapper dress was acceptable in the twenties; the changed status of women in society. In 1918 that change had been wrought by the vote (limited, but there), the horrendous experience of the Great War, the need—which dates back almost to the Middle Ages—for a woman to take over a man's role in his absence on behalf of king and country; the opportunity for a lot of squashed Edwardian daughters to

It is now just over 10 years since the escape the boredom of marriage, or a inception of the last fashion to nursing spinsterhood; and the sharp dominate the world of those able to lack of eligible men which made a new sexiness in women's clothes the obvious

> In 1965 the stage was even more dramatically lit. Women had accepted, and so had a lot of men, the implica-tions of the pill. For the first time in history women could control arguably safely, certainly, surely, their repro-ductive destiny. Also it was the moment of confidence and belief in the white hot technology which would carry us all to the moon, at never mind what cost in pollution or exhaustion of the world's resources. Women became the choosers in the sexual same; it is easy to see the corollary in the sudden awakening in fashion for men as they found themselves innumbered (is that the opposite of outnumbered?) by eligible females and had to look natty in their

Everyone wore the mini, that is, everyone with any pretensions or accessibility to fashion. Those with good legs, those with dreadful ones, matrons climbing into motor cars, all were susceptible to the diktat and all were responsible for the birth of the Tight. In the Twenties there may have been less active work to do, but when there was, the peep afforded to the goggling male was of an impeccable directoire knicker. A reader wrote to me last time I mentioned the adjective asking where it came from, perhaps from the Directoire? The most respect-able sources seem to be dumb on the subject. Personally I doubt whether Directoire ladies were anything more than what was needed not to die of cold, and often not even that, so I must

investigate further.

The only people to object seem to " Voyeur's Eve View. Relax. Mr Ruthven have been office managers, who felt, as their clerks bent over the filing cabinets or stored papers away on high shelves that discipline was being undermined. All those restaurants which had the impertinence to tell women that they could not wear trousers within their portals turned a lightly poached eye to girls who came in naked below the crotch.

But by the end of the sixties the reactions had set in. The longer skirt. so disastrously forced on Paris in 1969 as a booster for trade, had been ! simmering for a while in England. All that white hot technology seemed likely to demolish a planet some of us are very fond of, and the swinging materialism of the decade swung round to an idea of fundamental values and possibly simplistic self-sufficiency. The sweeping dress in a natural fibre—well, why not just say Laura Ashley—was born.

In April, 1976, the most formidable influence in world fashion such as it remained, Kenzo Tekada, reintroduced the mini. He did it quite differently. Casual, essentially young, he showed it as just one way a woman might want to express her personality in the freedom that fashion had now given her. By the October pret-a-porter JAP, his trade name, was into minis or forget it. Reaction was mixed. The mini had become synonymous with a low economic and social group, or with a personal conviction, or with a complete lack of fashion interest. It had also become a fringe suit estimate a holy

Bixby, whose oeuvre Edward Beil was able to buy for a few pence on a market stall, is really, I think, rather naive, although he does show all the minis with suspenders, which I suppose is the essence of the mini fascination. What are the new wearers going to wear under their brief encounters? The smart wear leotards, tilhts (cheering news) leg warmers. They also wear stiletto heels, which goes to prove that no fashion is the same second time around. Stilettos used to belong to the New Look and all those stays.

Of course, a lot of women never gave up the mini anyway. Those with good legs; those with no option on new styles, or no interest; those with little have never lost the mini because they are a leg-conscious race. "They go to the supermarket in their tennis dresses; it's just an excuse, you know", Ted Tinling told me.

become synonymous with a low economic and social group, or with a perlack of fashion interest. It had also
become a fringe cult, as witness a book
which is probably not to be found in plady. The day fashion stops being fun
too many of my readers' libraries,
entitled The Mini Skirt and Beyond, A is sad one.

Are you going to have to wear one?

No. This is the era of individual fashion.

Even those dashing enough to freeze in
them now mostly confess to wearing
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them for parties. "They're for fun, not
for smart", reports one famous fashion
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from comprehensive school S (a minor) v Bedfordshire for a care order. On May 3, 1976, by which time the boy had been without schooling since the previous summer, the juvenile court

No care order for boy kept

Justice. Mr Justice Ackner and Mr Justice Parker A 12-year-old boy parents have an inflexible convic-

tion that comprehensive education is unsuitable for him successfully resisted a local education authority's appeal against revocation of an order committing him to the authority's care.

The Divisional Court, by a majority in reserved judgments, dismissed an appeal by Bedfordshire County Council from Bedford Crown Court 'Judge Youds and two justices; who had revoked a care order made under section 1(3)(c) of the Children and Young Persons Act. 1969, by Luton Juvenile Court committing the boy to the council's care.

section 1/2: of the 1969 Act provides: "If the court before which a child or young person is brought under this section is of opinion that . . . (e) he is of compulsory school age . . , and not receiving efficient full-time education suitable to his age, ability and apritude . . , and also that he is in aced of care or control winch he is unlikely to receive unless the court makes an order . . the court may if it thinks fit make such an order,"

Leave to appeal was granted to Leave to appeal was granted to the council.

Mr. Robert Alexander, QC, and

Mr Nicholas Wilson for the coun-cil; Mr James Wadsworth for the

MR JUSTICE PARKER said MR JUSTICE PARKER said that, under section 40(2) of the Education Act, 1944, as substituted by the Children and Young Persons Act, 1969, prosecution of a parent was no longer a condition precedent to bringing a child before a juvenile court. The council was contidered appropriate. No guidance was given about the circumstances in which such direct action should be taken in regard to the child, but a relevant and important consideration would doubtess be that prosecution of the parent was unlikely to secure the desired result.

Sefere a cure order could be Before a cure order could be Before a cure order could be made under section 1(2)(e) of the 1969 Act the court had to be satisfied both that the child was not receiving appropriate full-time education and that he was in need of care and control. By section 74 "care" included protection and guidance and "control" included discipline. If both requirements were satisfied the court might, but was not obliged to, make an order. It had a discretion to do so if it thought fit. The boy was of compulsory school age and up to the end of the summer of 1975 was receiving appropriate full-time education at a private school at his parents' expense. At that time he completed his primary education and

expense. At that time he com-pleted his primary education and was due to embark on his secon-dary education in the autumn. In the previous February the parents had drawn the council's attention to the fact that he would

be requiring secondary education at the beginning of the academic year 1975-76. That heralded trouble because the parents had an inflexible conviction that edu-cation in a comprehensive school was not suitable for him and hecause the only schools made available by the council were compre-

able by the country, hensive schools.

The parents had held such a conviction also in respect of their children. In 1972 the father had been fined for noncompliance with a school atten-dance order then made in respect of them and had subsequently been imprisoned for non-payment of the fine. Care orders were also made fine. Care orders were also made at that time, but they were later discharged when a private benefactor offered to pay for the children's education at an independent school.

When the question of the boy's

secondary education arose the council were aware that there was likely to be difficulty ahead. They were not prepared to pay for him to be educated at a fee paying non-comprehensive boarding non-comprehensive boarding school, which was what the parents desired, and the parents were not prepared to allow the boy to attend any school which the council were prepared to render wereliable.

der available.

A school attendance order was made in respect of the boy, but it was not compiled with. That was due solely to the parents' objection to the fact that the school named in the order was a comprehensive school. They had visited it and had no fault to find with it from an educational point of view. der svailable.

point of view.
On the present occasion, unlike the earlier one, the council did not prosecute; instead they in-voked the power to proceed directly before a juvenile court

Queen's Bench Division

Royal College of Physicians and Others v Blount Before Mr Justice Griffiths Mr Clavell Blount, chairman of

the National Anti-fluoridation Campaign, apologized to the Royal College of Physicians; Sir Cyrll Clarke, chairman of the

college's committee on the fluoridation of water supplies; Dr Leo Joseph Kinlen, honorary secretary; and Sir Richard Doll,

a member, for making unfounded allegations damaging to the plaintiffs' reputations. He withdrew the allegations and undertook not to repeat them.

Mr. Leon Britan, for the

took not to repeat them.

Mr Leon Britan, for the piaintiffs, said that the committee on the fluoridation of water supplies was set up to consider the merits of fluoridation of public water supplies—a question which had been hotly debated in recent years—and particularly to comment on the medical aspects of fluoridation. In January, 1976, the committee's report was adopted by the college and published under the tilte Fluoride, Teeth and Health. Broadly speaking, its findings were that fluoridation of public water supplies at a level of one milligram to a litre would be beneficial to members of the public in helping to reduce tooth decay, was safe medically and would not harm the environment.

Mr Blount was among those who had been invited by the college's committee to put forward for its consideration the case against fluoridation. When the report was published, he and this supporters disseraed with its

the report was published, he and his supporters disagreed with its

conclusion, and published a number of campaign circulars severely criticizing the report and those who had prepared it. Those circulars were widely distributed and were received by, among

Anti-fluoride chairman

apologizes to doctors

made a care order, pursuant to which be was taken from his home which he was taken from his home and placed in a council home. The 16 children there were of varying ages between 17 and what was described in the Crown Court's judgment as "toddlers". The children were "generally described as deprived, neglected or with no proper home. Some of them had committed minor offences or played fruant from school". By contrast the boy had a good home, was well behaved, well disciplined and respectful.

From May 3 to May 28 the boy

From May 3 to May 28 the boy resided in the home and was daily escorted to a comprehensive school, which was not one of the schools originally suggested to be suitable. On May 28 he went to stay with his parents for half-term. Thereafter he remained with them. When the holiday ended tnem. When the holiday ended they declined to return him either to the school or to the home pending an appeal against the juvenile court's decision.

When the matter came before the Crown Court on June 21 the boy had had only some 21 the boy had had only some three weeks' schooling since the end of the previous summer. The parents were unwilling to enter into any recognizance or to cooperate with a supervision order—possible ways in which the making of a care order might be avoided. The council intended, if the

Crown Court continued the care order, to work towards the return of the boy to living at home and of the boy to living at home and apparently contemplated that a continuation of the care order would not necessarily result in his being returned to the home to which he had originally been sent. The Crown Court held that the condition (regarding education) specified in section 1(2)(e) of the 1969 Act was satisfied, and no challenge could be made to that finding The court went on to hold, however, that the boy was not in need of care or control within the meaning of section 1 of the 1968 Act and that, if that was wrong, it would not make a care order in the exercise of its discretion. discretion.

Mr Alexander challenged both decisions, the first on the ground that it was based on a misconstruction of the section, and the second on the ground that the decision not to make an order was one which no reasonable tribunal properly directing itself as to the law could have reached. He accepted that for the appeal to be allowed he had to succeed on both points.

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His Lordship said that the Crown Court clearly took the view that a child could only be regarded as in need of care or control if "he is a child who is being neglected by his parents in the sense that there is no proper provision of a home, amenities, love or affection and instead the child is being neglected in respect of his day-to-day needs". Deprivation of education could not, in the Crown Court's opinion, itself render a child in need of care or control.

Something more was needed than

need of care or control.

Something more was needed than mere proof that section 1(2)(e) was satisfied. That was not confined to the sort of neglect contemplated by the Crown Court. Deprivation of sducation might have been so prolonged and likely to continue for so foug, or be based on such unreasonable grounds, or be so against the wishes of a child that it could render that child in need of protection or guidance, which were matters included in the meaning of "care", notwithstanding that the child was in no way neglected in his day-to-day needs or wanting

in his day-to-day needs or wanting in love, affection, a good home and general amenities.

In reaching its decilson on the first point the Crown Court had misdirected itself by potting too narrow a construction on the misdirected itself by putting too narrow a construction on the meaning of the phrase "in need of care or control". Had that court revoked the care order on that ground alone, the proper course would have been to send the matter back for a decision to be reached on the point, applying the law correctly.

However, that would be futtle, because, having exercised its discretion not to make an order on

cretion not to make an order on the assumption that the boy, contrary to its view, was in need of care or control, the exercise of that discretion had to be set aside before the return of the case could

perore me return of the case could achieve any purpose.
When challenging a discretionary decision it was for the appellant to establish that it was perverse. That burden had not been discharged.

The Crown Court rightly approached the question on the basis that its task was to consider whether the benefit to the boy would be greater if the order were not made than if it were made, or with the other way round that or, put the other way round, that the injury to the boy would be greater if the order were made than if it were not. That was a far from easy

others, the senior executives of the 10 regional water authorities and of the local health authorities, and by members of the press, both national and provincial.

Diffortunately some of the cir-culars suggested that the conclu-sion reached in the report was so perverse that a possible explana-tion for it was that the author-had been bribed by those who would profit from the introduc-

tion of fluoridation on a national

scale.
While the plaintiffs fully accepted, and indeed welcomed, serious debate upon the findings of their report upon fluoridation, they naturally regarded those suggestions, which were wholly unfounded, as outside the scope of serious debate and damaging to their reputations.

their reputations.

At no stage had the plaintiffs sought damages from Mr Blount, and the action had been settled on terms which included his under-

on terms which included his undertaking not to repeat each allegations, to make a public withdrawal
of and apology for the suggestions complained of, and to pay
the plaintiffs' cosm.

Mr Martin White, for Mr
Blount, said that he endorsed all
that Mr Brittan had said. Mr
Blount, of course, strongly disagreed with the findings of the
report, but he fully accepted that
the suggestions made in the circulars referred to were enthely
without foundation. He therefore
withdraw them unreservedly and
offered the plaintiffs his unqualified spology, and undertook not
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The record was, by leave, with-

decision. The court wa in essence, with the p "Which was better for to secure his education at removing him from into a well-behaved, wellined and respectful chrithen putting him into a home, or to allow him to home, or to allow him to

of his education, at any some further period?

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fere. The appeal show MR JUSTICE ACK senting, said that the a complete discretion not to make a care-question in the case as benefit to the boy ar appropriate in his ca: apparent that the bo return either to the he school simply because refused to let him do was no suggestion or he was unhappy at th allow him to return to after half term. It w for a parent who held views to infect his own parents strongly of There was no evidence the Grown Court cour-conclude that the carof no benefit to the b

inappropriate in his ca On the contrary, it him to go to school i time since Septembe. order was in any way the boy his Lordship to conclude that the o sble decision was for Court to have allowed order to continue. He allowed the appeal.

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overt to offer in the way of physical attraction except sheer revelation. A lot of uniforms are curiously short, and have yet to make up my mind whether this reflects a proper concern by auth-ority in guarding the taxpaver's money in such frivolous dispensations, or the plain fact that women do not like uniforms, which they feel are unindivi-dual, unsexy and too masculine, and thus that they compensate by wearing it as short as possible. The Americans

Are you going to have to wear one?

Research and photography by Edward Bell





Above : Suzanne Bartsch, a stallholder Cheisea Antique Market, wearing

Above left : Candida Amaden, a London teacher and illustrator, has worn minis since they first came in.

Left: Three girls from Swankey Modes of 104 Camden Road, London, NW1, all wearing black leather mint skirts that they made themselves

Right: Little Nell, an actress: "My mini skirt is the bit of fabric that the Japanese hang over restaurant doors to indicate that they are open. Design of the raked sands, a escred monument-rock garden in Kyoto." Shoes by Frederick of Hollywood, leotard from the Dance Centre, 12 Floral Street,
London, WC2. "I've been wearing
mini skirts all my life. When I'm
on to a good thing I stick to it."

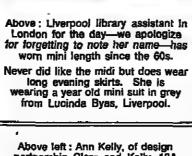












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underneath. Green Siba shoes,



Above: Gael McKay, an Australian model, never really stopped wearing the mini-and still does whether day or night, summer or winter". She had the suit specially made up in Sydney recently by Flamingo Park.

Above right: Desna, a shop assistant at Bombacha, 104 Fulham Road. London, SW7.

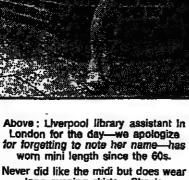
Right: Numl, a fashion student at Ealing, wearing original 60s black and white op art dress, 60s stockings, 60s shoes (Shaftesbury Shoe Co). wears them to parties now, but will do so all day in summer. time I wore a mini, until recently. was at school—and then they were micro. Today if you wear a mint you are either very tashionable or very unfashionable, therefore to clarify the issue it should be worn in a funky way today. I prefer to wear minis ith stockings rather than tights—its

more sexy."





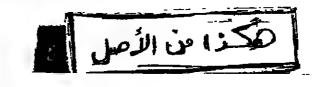




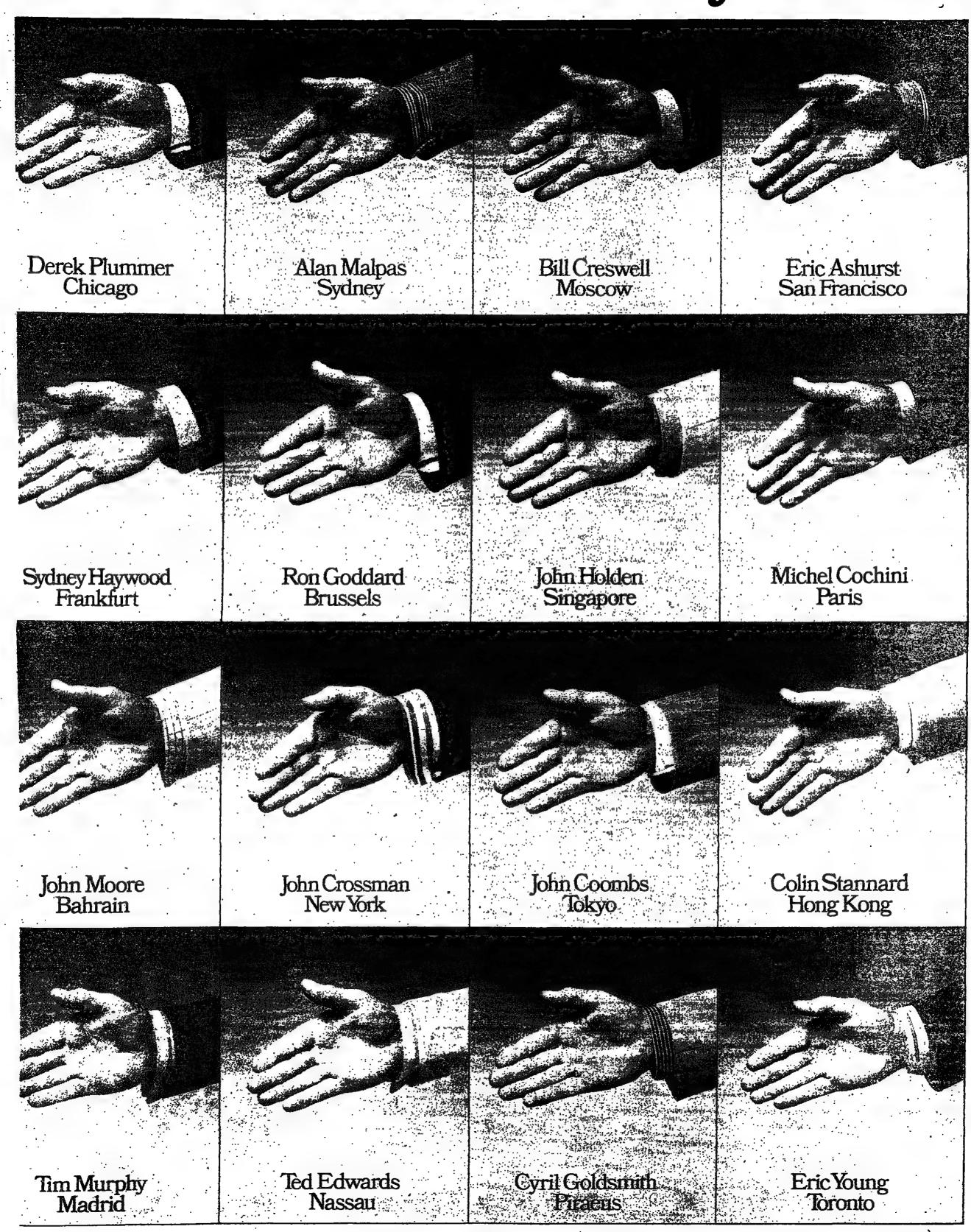
Left: Gerhinde Von Regensburg, Art Deco dealer in Antiquarius, wearing Miss Mouse long black dress transformed into a mini by braces clipped to act as a belt-ballet tights

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Why must the media play cat and mouse with the Royal Family?

Before we go much further through the year of the Queen's jubilee, a thought might be spared for the attitude of the media to the Royal Family. At present, it fluctuates between almost sycophantic attention to everything that concerns them, however trivial, and curious urge to spice this with what is known in the trade as knocking copy whenever anyone comes along, able and willing, however unfairly, to provide it.

At the weekend, a Labour MP named Litterick called the Royal " useless layabouts ". Perhaps it struck him that the day on which the Queen and her family were remembering, as any other family would, the death of her father as well as the jubilee of her accession, was well-chosen to attack them. When better to get a headline or two? So he went on to insult the Queen's husband, describing him, according to reports, as "a useless, reactionary, arrogant parasite".

Fortunately, we have free speech. So Litterick, who will get his title from me when he returns the compliment to other people, is quite properly free to be as offensive as comes naturally to him. But the BBC has no duty to provide a platform for the insults of so unrepresentative a man whose performance they could obviously predict.

After all, his weekend words had been plain enough. Two weeks ago (said this chivalrous and intrepid tribune of the people), "Philip, the most well-paid social security claimant in Britain, told us we paid too much attention to the poor, and not enough to the deserving rich, I would like to hear his comments on his own £20,000 a year wage increase for being

his wife's husband". Quick as a flash, there was Litterick on Monday night's BBC Nationwide programme so say his party piece again

Yet Prince Philip had not said what Litterick said he said. Discussing the difficulties of the nation in an interview in the Director magazine he had suggested that it was not sensible to concentrate so heavily on the unsuccessful, the unfortunate, and the underprivileged as to prevent the enterprising from making their contribution "which will also help the underprivileged". It was, he suggested, a matter of balance which we seemed to have "slightly wrong" and he spoke about the need for chal-lenge, opportunity and responsibility.

Perhaps Prince Philip should not have expressed so contentious a point of view, even though it is one now being debated in all political parties. (It is certainly one that is exercising a Labour Prime Minister and Chancel lor.) It is fair to argue rationally against what Prince Philip said and even to dispute his right to say it. It is not fair to respond by misrepresentation and vulgar abuse.

You may think that fairness is not you may think that fairness is not a prerequisite for being an MP. But fairness is supposed to be a goal of the BBC and it is reasonable to wonder why Litterick, on such a slender justification, should be given a nation-wide platform to say his party piece over again. When he did so, in more over again. or less the same terms, he was coun-tered only the mild observation from the interviewer that it was rather a "free translation" of what Prince Philip actually said. Nobody thought that the viewers ought to be told what

What is more, the personal abuse

Television is tempted to hire those who offer controversy and display rather than reason

mok an even nastier turn and would have been an outrage whomever it was directed at All "Philip Mountbatten" was hired for, said this disagreeable man, was to secure the magreease man, was to secure the succession. Nobody protested. Through all the interview, the only balance was provided by Mr Robert Lacey, the author of the current biography of the Queen, disadvan-taged by being at the end of a wire in Bristol and brought in comparatively infrequently.

comparatively infrequently.

The programme was, of course, given the spurious kind of objectivity that can be provided by lists of "facts". Everything that could conceivably be regarded as royal wealth was rapidly listed, from the Queen's personal fortune, the Civil List payments to the Royal Family, and the royal estates, right down to the jewels and the Queen's pictures. Formally, the list could no doubt be said to provide balance: subliminally, it was bound, through the manner in it was bound, through the manner in which it was done, to add to the unqualified image of inordinate

riches.
All this gave Litterick the chance to say that even if people needed the tribal totem pole of a monarch, this was no reason for paying for the

performs. The best that Mr Lacey could manage to defend the cost of the monarchy was that it was less than the nation's bill for tran-

So many letters of protest must have come in that the next night the interviewer suggested that they should be addressed to "Mr Litterick" who was, "after all" an MP, not to the BBC. On the courary, the only read question the pro-gramme raised was not Litterick's right to be nasty but the BBC's deci-sion to invite this man to discuss the monarchy in this way.

Television is always tempted to hire those who offer controversy and gladiameial display rather than reason. The rude words of the very few (the analogy with bombs is clear) are soo often likely to earn equal time with the rational arguments of the many. Most journalists must have some experiences to illustrate television's preoccupation with "adversary situations" and its painted obsession with 1 concept of belance that takes the form of pitting a couple of unrepresentativa extremes against each other whenever possible.

particular episode, trivial in itself, was also symptomatic of a dangerously ambignous attitude to-wards the monarchy which is some-times evident in the written media as well. Amidst the sycophancy we have many suide if not downinght impleasant comments which cannot be enswered back. One tabloid saw fit to publish a vitriolic attack on Princest Anne of a kind that would

be quite unforgivable about anyone alongside an insufferably patronizing article about Prince Charles, quite regardless of any ordinary human feelings. The Doke of Edinburgh is often considered fair game for

I think the media has to make up Its mind what it thinks it is doing about the Royal Family: playing car-end-mouse with them, and alternating saidery and rudeness with a kind of famning incrusion is not good enough. It also makes no sense to go on about mone; and the mocarchy in terms repeatedly and offensively speak of the cost of monarchy as royal "wages", when the reality is that it has nothing to do with the per-sonal spending of the Royal Family and everything to do with the level of ceremonial state speeding that has been expected of them.

Besides, the whole point of monarchy as the constitutional apex of the state is that it is occupied by a person, and in a sense by a family, removed by dignity, position and kind of wealth that cannot be calculated, from any temptation to the striving and corrupting ambition from which other public people can

never be wholly free.

In a sense, the nuze unaccountable wealth and dignity of the monarchy achieves something rather like the complete renunciation of wealth by a monastic order, but by apposite means. That is reason enough why to account for tax purposes. We have a system whose integrity other nations have cause to enty. Why are we tempted so often to be mean-minded about it?

The constitutional timebomb that threate Labour's leaders R

James. Callaghan may be the Mr Eric Heffer, h last of a short line of Labour leaders and Prime Ministers-MacDonald, Henderson, Lans-Gaitskell. Arrice. Wilson-to be elected solely by the Parliamentary Labour Party which, since its creation, has jealously guarded its independence from the Labour movement outside Parliament.

The demand for change. however, is growing and the only qualification that one can put against its success is that the majority of Labour MPs, with the backing of the Prime Minister, are expected to rush to the barricades to halt a revolution whose seeds were planted under the dome of the Winter Gardens, Blackpool, at 5.10 pm on Tuesday, Sep-

It was the day of the private session of the Labour Party conference, meeting in the Empress Ballroom. The session Empress Ballroom. The session had already gone beyond its scheduled time, but chairman Tom Bradley, a prominent moderate who turned down a ministerial post offered by Mr Callaghan, had little option but to allow time to debate a composite resolution accepted by the left-dominated national

executive committee. This called on the NEC to establish a working party to define the office of leader and to report within one year on the procedures for the leadership elections. More to the point the working party "shall be especially charged to conappropriate means widening the electorate in-volved in the choice of leader. The resolution was carried overwhelmingly without hardly a murmur as to its constitutional implications.

On the face of it the composite looked a straightforward extension of the democratic processes inside the party. When the Rushcliffe constituency party first submitted a motion in the summer they stated that "at a time when other political parties are involving their wide mass membership in the process of selec-tion of leaders, and when the programme commits us all to a thorough-going extension of democratic controls throughout social and indus-trial life, it becomes urgently to bring the internal structure the party into correspon-

But there was more to it than that. Ever since Labour lost office in 1970 there has been an increasing determination by party activists to make the parliamentary party more subservient to policies approved by the party con-ference. The only vote Sir Harold Wilson, as leader, ever lost at the party conference was when he personally inter-vened in 1970 to ask for the remittance of a motion deplor-ing the PLP's "refusal to act

on conference decisions Activists are now playing for the leadership and not the that the phraseology of the Rushcliffe resolution had a familiar flavour, as if it had been drafted by someone close to the left-oriented Institute for Workers Control, would not have been far wrong. One of the leading spirits inside the Rushcliffe constituency. the Rushcliffe constituency party is Ken Koates, once expelled from the Labour

Party but reinstated on appeal, who is a founder member of institute, and, more recently, an associate of Mr Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy.

While the Benn connexion

should not be carried too far, that a similar motion to that of Rushcliffe's stating that the future of the leadership should be decided "at members' branch level" was submitted by the Bassetlaw constituency party, whose MP is Joe Ashton, now a governme but a former parliamentary private secretary to Mr Benn. The working party has already been set up. Its

already been set up. Its members are Mr John Chalmers, of the boilermakers union and this year's party chairman, Mr Russell Tuck, of the National Union of Rail-waymen who, like Chalmers, is a moderate, and four left-wing Labour MPs, Mr Frank Allaun,

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A government blindspot that puts children in danger employers' creches and child- children, premises, or safety London is in trouble: unmanageable traffic congestion,

housing problems which in the words of the Layfield report will require policies on a only. Yet day nursery places have been reduced from 72,000 hitherto unimaginable scale" a massive education problem. risībie more acutely in London. There are others, less obvious for the moment, but no less sig-nificant, where once again Lon-

don is only the precursor. One of these which will have far reaching consequences if it remains untreated, is the position of childminders and the effect on the children they care for. This is clearly shown in a report, Childminding in London: a study of support services for childminders, published today at £2 by the London Council at 52 by the Lon of Social Service. There are some 57,000 chil-

dren in Britain who officially spend their waking hours with registered minders. Perhaps as many as 100,000 more are looked after unofficially and illegally by unregistered minders. A quarter of Britain's 30,000 registered minders are in London and they provide 57 per cent of the full time day care places for London's under

minders is increasing because although the proportion of women at work who have preschool children has risen steadily over the last three decades, successive Governments have refused to recognize this trend or to provide places for

Recent studies have shown that it is now economically necessary for low earning families to have two incomes in order to survive in London. A quarter of mothers with pre-school children are now at work; in some boroughs the average is 34 per cent. Yet no borough in London provides for more than 14 per cent of its under-lives with full-time day

provide for far less. Children of working parents need places that will cover the working day (36 per cent of working mothers of under fives in London work over 30 hours

Nursery schools and playgroups do not cover the working day and cater for the over twos

in 1944 to 24,000 in 1973, and official policy laid down in Government circulars of 1968 states that local authority sponsored places should be reserved gories who have special family or personal difficulties. Childminders are the community's answer to this gap in provision and the only real option for most working parents.

sponding to our survey saw provision, not merely a stop gap in the absence of day nurseries. At its worst it can be a damaging experience during the child's formative years and may even place him in physical

A minder's lob is not easy and good child care is often hampered by the poor condihope of a universally adequate service. Almost all minders are self-employed. While this gives them some freedom it also means no job security and usually no pay for sickness or holidays (either their own or the children's).

Our survey shows that even where minders were receiving income subsidies from local authorities they could earn up to only £27 a week in April 1975. This was the gross amount before deduction of expenses. After the cost of food, heat, light, laundry, toys, safety equipment, and general wear and tear had been taken into account, the amount per hour was around 15p. The amount per child per hour was 5p. Many local authorities and

voluntary organizations are trying to improve this situation but they are hampered by totally inadequate legislation and re-SOURCES, '

The present law requires social services departments to provide only minimal checks on the suitability of minders and makes the power to give and makes the power to give supervision and support distinct to and from work. Unless a parent can afford to employ help in their own home the choice is between day nurseries, Conditions as to the number of Social Service.

precautions are left to the local authority although guidelines are issued. There is no duty are issued. There is no duty to visit after registration, to keep a record of the children minded, or even to have a policy for childminding at all. Amendments should be made to the present legislation which make it obligatory for local policy for childminding which includes the provision of educational schemes and support.
At the moment registration

is no guarantee to parents that

the minder is even competent. One third of the London boroughs studied operate an unofficial grading scheme and include "poor" or "not All the local authorities rerecommended " in their grades. But not one made these grades known to minders or parents. In the context of a properly supported service grades could be a useful incentive to further

> between the practical help given to minders in different areas. One of the most impor rant is subsidized income which be related to the responsi bilities of the job, with extra pay for caring for children with special difficulties. Subsidies which allow the minder to remain self-employed give some security but do not in themselves make the job well paid or provide adequate

All but three London boroughs have attempted some form of training. Most local authority staff and meny mind-ers see this as essential if childminding is to be recog-nized as the important job it

Proper support will mean extra costs. But it will still be a relatively inexpensive form of day care even in the short term. The cost to a local auth-onty of a subsidized place with a uninder is helf that of a place in a day nursery, and there are no capital charges. In the present economic situation any extra expenditure is difficult. But the alternative is to wait until the results of inaction become more visible—in schools, families, and

Luise Nandy The author is Family Services Officer at the London

Tentative steps down the path to peace in Cyprus

There has been a real break-through in Cyprus, and although it would be rash to assume that the solution is near, it is evident that thanks to the first Makarios-Denktash meeting, the prospects of a settlement are better than at any time since the invasion of 1974. Their next meeting on Saturday should show if the political will for a conclusive compromise is there.

than was thought possible. In-deed, the two men managed to eliminate within a couple of hours two major hurdles that sions had been unable to over-

One was the obsessive fear f the Turks that whatever solution the negotiators might come up with in the end, Archbishop Makarios would veto because he never wanted an agreement. This idea, in kish inclination there might have been to make concessions

m ease a solution. President Makarios is now directly involved in the nego-tiating process. He commits himself, in the presence of a United Nations representative, to whatever is being agreed. He is the end of the line and no one can overrule him. This is important because there can be no solution without the Archbishop's blessing.

The second obstacle was the obstinate refusal of the Turkish-Cypriots to be committed to a concrete proposal on the territorial issue, for all the repeated pledges and promises they had given. Now, suddenly, they had given. Now, suddenly, Mr Denktash bid for 32.8 per cent of the island on the ground that this was the area owned by the Turkish-Cypriot community: what is more, he said this was negotiable.

The opening offer by the Greek-Cypriots in May last year had been for 30 per cent—rousely the proportion

year had been not 30 per cent—roughly the proportion of Turks in the island's popula-tion. But it is well known that President Makarios has declared privately in the past that he is willing to leave 25 per cent of the territory under a Tur-kish-Cypriot administration.

So the stage is set for some bargaining Middle East style in which it is customary for the ewo antagonists in "share

the difference "-say about 26 fact is that he committed himto 29 per cent instead of just over 36 per cent of the island that the Turks occupy today.

differences were narrowed on other questions. For instance, President Makarios signified formally his acceptance of the principle of federation, without qualifications that would rule out a bizonal system which is the only one the Turks would On the other hand Mr Denk-

reassured the Archbishop pose a confederation (which would ruin the concept of a unitary state). Moreover, he accepted the Greek idea of free movement and agreed to discuss the refugee question. The Turkish side, in fact, believes that no Greek-Cypriot would go back to live in the north under a Turkish-Cypriot administration, even if allowed

probably try to establish whether shese basic points of contact can be elaborated into a set of mutually acceptable principles to guide further negotiations. The presence of Dr Kurt Waltheim, the UN Secretary-General, will increase the chances of success.

In fact, Dr Waldheim has been in close touch with the new US administration which might, eventually, find it wises to channel through him what-ever new ideas or formulas Washington may devise. Both Greeks and Turks are becom-ing increasingly allergic to any

spired by outsiders.

The new, hopeful turn in the Cyprus affair is entirely due to Turkish initiatives which were probably prompted by a combination of circumstances. It is clear, for instance, that the administration by halt-

defence cooperation agreement, must have increased the mis-givings of the Turkish military about the possible effects of the continuing United States arms embergo on Turkey's defence capability. Whether Mr Denktash acted

under pressure from Ankara, prompted by such misgivings, or if he became sufficiently ipated to act on his own. is still a moot point. What is a

self to the figure of 32.8 per cent without Ankara's consent. Beyond the problem of United States-Turkish relations

which are to come soon under the scrudny of the American fact-finding mission under Mr Clark Clifford, it appears that recently the Soviet Union has been discouraging Turkey from using the prospect of closer Turkish-Soviet ties as a lever to elicit Western support. Turkey would also be eager

to divert attention from the reactions generated by embarrassing leakage of European Human Ri European Human Rights Commission's report on Turkish etrocities in Cyprus. The timing, therefore, of the

Turkish peace initiative, reflected also on other facets of Greek-Turkish antagonism, makes Greek officials suspicious that this may be tactical fireworks rather than a strategic change of heart.

If the going in Cyprus is good, Congress might easily

agree to lift the embargo and give Turkey arms credits of over one billion dollars, perhaps to encourage conces for a final settlement. Already the Council

Europe postponed considera-tion of the Cyprus report at deputies level which was due next Monday for fear of jeopardizing the chances of the second Nicosia meening. Scepticism in Athens is enhanced by Turkey's internal political situation. The opposi-

tion in Ankara has already expressed doubts that the present four-party coalition under Mr Suleyman Demirel, can settle the Cyprus problem, in view of its internal divergencies and risks that the coalition could break up over this issue.
In this case, the final settlement would have to wait until
after the Turkish elections,

due in October, and before then the picture may well change drastically again. Whether these Greek reservations, which the Greek-Cypriots do not seem to share. are justified or not, will become clear in the not too distant

future. What seems vital at this functure is that nothing should be allowed to disrupt the first glimmer of solid hope that was borne out of the first

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The Times Diary presents

Much ado about nothing very much

The incident in which foe Haines, Bernard Donoughue and Albert Murray tried to dissuade Harold Wilson from giving Marcia Williams a peerage must bave been packed with dramatic tension. It needs the touch of a Shakespeare to make the most of it, as follows:

(Enter Haines, Donoughue and Murray, conspiring.)

Haines: Make Marcia a Lady? Can it be? As soon make toothsome cheese from arid Or purse of silk from sow's most raddled

As soon make good from evil, right from Or honest man from charlatan. My friends,

Does Harold have a touch of palsied brain?

It's meet we stall him from this most foul

This act which will make mock of all of For if 'tis done her pride will swell most She will become the mightiest in the land And we shall be as nothing. So I say Let's beard him in his parlour.

Others: Aye, let's that.

(Mr Wilson's room, later.)

Wilson: I understand your feelings, loyal

No one appreciates your hopes, your fears, Keener than I. And yet it must be said That I desire most strongly to bestow The honour she desires above all else To sit, enrobed in ermine on her seat Amongst the finest minds in all the land, And drawing an allowance for her pains. My will is firm. But wait, I tell you

Once her desire is met she'll be no more. The good Lord Weidenfeld has told me He will be offering her a post—in the Great world of books to which she doth Thus, she will leave this place, and then

Good Donoughue, fine Murray, trusted Will fall her cast-off mantle. Then to you And only you bends my receptive ear. Your power will wax most wondrously. All Who seek my favour first will come to you, The mighty triumvirate. Yours will be The power which the fair Marcia once

Haines: Wait a bit, I'll ask the rest.

(They go into a huddle.)

Haines: If it be true that once the deed is Then Marcia will once for all be rid Out of this place. If that, my liege, be true, Then we are fair delighted to accept.

Harold: So be it, Now I have to watch

(They leave, but Marcia, who has been hiding behind the curtain to the French

Marcia: Aha, the deed is done! And I The Lady Falkender. Then shall I sit Amongst my peers in that enchanted place They call the House of Lords. But if they

Pil then go to Lord Weidenfeld's employ They're mightily mistaken. Pil stay here Beside my patron Harold, chinging on Like some determined leech to all the That's mine by right. Join Weidenfeld? I'd join the Navy or the CIA,

The Tories or the Libs. Oh no, my friends, I'll keep my proud position. And soon. The name of Falkender will make men Proud folk will bend the knee at my behest; I shall be like the lordly Jupiter, Hold sway o'er all I touch. And then the Who sought to put me down will be my Foul Donoghue, base Murray, lowly Haines, You will regret that e'er you were so bold. The cry will be: "Falkender rules, OK?"

(With a jubilant shout, the curtain falls.)

A reader has found the following passage in Count Manfred, by Miranda Seymour, published last year. "The tall Tartur lifted me out of the saddle and soung me down against him, laughing as I struggled help-lessly. I came to see Lord Byron', I said through my teeth, as he put arms round my was it." Was it?

Sophistication

As well as being the week of the greatly entertaining Haines/ Falkender catfight, this has, for ne, been the week for celebrating the great days of the Broad-way musical.

Yesterday, you will recall, I wrote about my lunch with Mary Martin. That same evening I went to a concert party at the United States embassy to listen to Arthur Schwartz, one of the redoubtable song-writers of Broadway's heyday, who has written for Miss Mortin and

Over 200 people crammed the embassy auditorium, some spilling over into the ameroom. The event was one of an occa-sional series of celebrations of American culture which the embassy holds, and it was intro-Schartz is over 70 but looks

some 20 years younger. He plays a sprightly plane and has a strong, clear singing voice. His bourdong performance consisted mainly of renderings of

the best-known of the many songs for which he has written the music: Dancing in the Dark, I Guess I'll Have to Change my Plan. You and the Night and the Music and so on. What struck many of us in the audience was the wit of

many of the lyrics (most of which Schwartz did not write). The words to, for instance, They're Either Too Young or Too Old, are genuinely funny, while the lyrics to today's pop songs are generally dull and un-

I suppose it is because the old songs were written primarily for sophisticated Broadway audiences, and the writers stuck to that style even when they were writing for films. Today's songs are for the mass record market, where there is assumed to be no demand for wit.

Get knitted

Heinz Edgar Kiewe does not care greatly for fig leaves. He believes that the loincloth which Adam and Eve wore for shame in the Garden of Eden was in fact a chic little knitted number, and he has mounted an exhibition in the gallery of Foyles' bookshop to prove that knitting is the oldest form of fabric manufacture known
At the opening yesterday Kiewe, a textile journalist and authority on early needlecraft, was sporting a bright mustard-



from bark modern wear from Peru, Scotfand, Scandinavia and the Shet-land Islands. St Paul may have been a weaver, but Riewe is convinced that Joseph's cost of many colours was knitted.

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10slovak civil rights docupublished in the West last has been extraordinary lluminating. Inside Czechotia it has attracted more pore signatures—about 500 r-while the Government hrown itself into frenzied ermeasures which have y destroyed the carefully ed myth that the country since the Soviet-led on of 1968. Abroad the r has attracted support almost every part of the al spectrum.

Britain a House of ons motion signed by more ighty members has created e alliance between Mr m Churchill and the e group. Other expresof concern or support have rom Herr Willy Brandt, Dr Kreisky, the American Department, thirty-nine as of the House of House of entatives, the Norwegian ment, the Portuguese ient, Radio Vatican, the Minister of Holland, the Social Democratic Party, rench Socialist Party, ian, Polish and Russian tuals, two groups of ent authors (including allow, Arthur Miller and Greene), the Inter-Confederation of Free Unions, the communist of Italy, France, Yugo-Greece (Internal), Britain, Denmark and Belgium,

er quarters. breadth of this support the fact that the doculoes not formulate an cal or political pro-. It did not originate ose former members of rmist regime of 1968 who itil now been the most nucleus of opposition. tey have been concerned y with ideas that might e way to negotiating a 'ernment with the Rushere have been contacts, ot recently), the drafters sarter wanted to mobilize on the existing Governfulfil the legal, constiand international oblicao which it formally Hence the Charter

could attract wider support than the communist opposition alone, members of which signed up later, accepting an invitation to nominate one of the three spokes-men, Mr Jiri Hajek, the former Foreign Minister.

This presented the Czechoslovak Government with a new and unnerving situation. If it was afraid that the communist opposition would gain the ear of the Russians, it was now afraid that the Charter would get the ear of the people, which would be even more dangerous. It thereupon launched a campaign of abuse and intimidation which has reached heights of hysteria unknown since the mass denunciations of the 1950s. Signatories of the Charter have been hauled in for lengthy and frequent inter-rogations. Some have been turned out of their flats and many dismissed from their jobs. Three were arrested, and now two non-signatories have been arrested for distributing the Charter. The press has raged daily against "traitors and rene-gades" and "discredited organizers of the 1968 counter-revolution" now said to be acting on the orders of anti-communist and Zionist headquarters".

The initial effect of this grotesque campaign was the opposite of that intended. It aroused public interest in the brought in new signatories, and provoked demands for the text. In some factories mass meetings " called to condemu the Charter were attended by only a handful of people. In others workers refused to vote because they were not allowed to see the text. Now the campaign is turning to the intelligentsia, where it is having more success because the middle classes have more to lose. It is accompanied by threats of dismissal, loss of flats, or retaliation against children. Lists of people known to abhor the present regime have been appearing under condemna-tions of the Charter, convincing

no one but depressing many. All this has left the Czechoslovak Government more deeply signs that the Russians may be withdrawing their support from Dr Husak, who already has very few friends among his colleagues.

Obviously he deserves to go. He is discredited at home and abroad, and his regime is a disgrace to European civilization. Unfortunately most of his opponents in the top echelons are even worse, and are liable to increase the repression. Yet even they must be able to see that unlawful "legal" action against signatories or distributors of the Charter would be seen by everyone at home and abroad to be wholly fabricated. People are no longer as credulous as in the days of the show trials.

The Charter was carefully drafted to remain within Czechoslovak law. The Prosecutor has tried to argue that it questions the leading role of the party, which is enshrined in the Constitution, and that in invoking the rights of petition and free speech it fails to observe the elastic qualification in Article 34 that citizens must have due regard to the interests of the socialist state and the working people. Yet nothing in the Charter is in fact against the interests of the state, the people, socialism, or the leading role of the party, which is criticized only for misusing its power. Nor does the Charter purvey "false information "

What it does is point out how Czechoslovak law is being violated by Czechoslovak authorities. It is, in fact, the first test of the incorporation into Czechoslovak law last October of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. Article 19(2) of this says: "Everyone shall have the right to freedom of expression; this right shall include freedom to seek, receive and impart information and ideas of all kinds, regardless of frontiers, either orally, in writing or in print, in the form of art, or through any other media of his choice." There are some exceptions relating to national security, libel and morals, but none applies to Charter 77.

If the Czechoslovak Government wishes its country to be regarded as part of Europe in 1977, and not as some ghostly relic of Stalinism, the very least it can do is respect its own laws, call off the grotesque witch hunt. and get down to the business of enabling its people to live normal civilized lives,

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JSEFUL PURPOSE IN A REGISTER vovernment had rejected duction of a register of uts as a tool of immigrantrol was inevitable, the clear opinion of parliamentary t such a step would have bstantial practical diffiid been of only limited s. It would not have ective in either of its as, the provision of cerfinite figures for future ion from the Indian ent, and the establishgreater control over l applicants for entry. zuable in any event that st abuses of the system trated not by fraudulent ts, but by illegal immi-10 have either entered y clandestinely, or have lawfully but have behind after their leave us expired, or by abuse custom of arranged The difficulty about rith all those forms of y is that their exact got known and, indeed, ascertained. The pub-in to some particularly

prompt announcement no real indication as to the depth non-compliance, it would not of the iceberg beneath the tip. Mr Rees has said that he intends to introduce measures to try to deal more effectively with abuses of the system, including new immigration rules specifically aimed at weeding out fraudulent marriages of convenience. Concern over immigration policy will not necessarily be greatly eased by such steps. For many people, the scale of possible future immigration is a more important source of aggravation. The register of dependents, it had been argued, would have at least allowed some realistic estimate to have been made of the numbers who would have been entitled to enter Britain as dependants. That knowledge, it was said, would of itself have had a calming effect on race relations, because it would have removed the uncertainty about numbers which has fed exaggeration and alarm. The Franks report gives reason to doubt whether the register would have had that effect.

Even if registration of dependants were to have been made compulsory, with sanctions for

future trends. On the one hand those required to register their likely, in prudence, to put down the names of every conceivable person with a claim to that status (and even some without), whether or not there was any real intention of bringing them over to this country. The result would have been an inflated figure, exceeding realistic immigration expectations for those categories. On the other hand, a register would not have been able to include more than about half of the total number of dependants who might have entitlement to entry, because the enritlements of some categories of dependants are contingent or unforeseeableelderly parents, for instance, with no other means of support. It was right to have the feasibility of a register investigated. but the idea should now be dropped, as the Home Secretary proposes. But the search should go on for other ways of achieving the purposes for which a register was advocated and for which it is shown to be unsuitable.

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with the situation there ry for more and more absorbing valuable and agricultural land whilst on present trends the railways, our most disciplined form of ransport, will continue to be under-

The passengers, particularly the commuters, have a real grievance and should make themselves heard. The present troubles cannot be attributed to the Railways Board nor to the unions. The problem rests fairly and squarely with the wretched politicians (both sorts) who have failed miserably to produce a National Transport Policy. HENRY JOHNSON, former Chairman, British Raelways Board, Rowans, Harewood Road.

Chalfont St Giles, Buckinghamshire.

Atlantic alliance From Mr Ian Smart

Sir, For the record, your report on February 7 of my remarks to an international conference in Paris on International conference in Paris on European security was something less than accurate. I did not say the rime had come "to redefine [sc. change] the Atlantic alliance". What I did say was that, especially when faced with so-called Eurocommunism, members of the alliance must now decide, in the political really whether to give priority tical realm, whether to give priority to their anti-communist or to their

pro-democratic principles.

The primary military purpose of the alliance is not in doubt. Its primary political purpose is. If it be to resist any communist political intrusion into the West, the allies must oppose the entry by any means of communists into a Western government. However, if it be to maintain liberal democracy, they must no less strongly resist any attempt to exclude communists from gov-ernment, provided they are freely elected and accept the full implication thereafter of the democratic

Despite my personal antipathy to communism, I am convinced that February 8.

the Atlantic allies, for their own sake, must stand on the latter ground. The cost to democracy of behaving otherwise is too high. any free society, licence must be prudently constrained. But you may not safely abridge the democratic liberty which remains, even in freedom's name. Yours faithfully, IAN SMART, Director of Studies, The Royal Institute of

Chatham House, 10 St James's Square, SW1. February 8. Landing on Rockall

International Affairs.

From Rear Admiral Geoffrey P. D. Hall Sir, Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick Bayly (February 7) is correct in amributing the 1955 helicopter landing on Rockall to HMS Vidal (commanded by Captain R. H. Connell). Formal possession was taken in the name of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth by Lt-Commander D. E. P. D. Scott, a brass plaque inscribed to that a brass plaque inscribed to that effect, together with an iron ringbolt, flag and flag-pole, being affixed to the rock. That no trace of these was found four years later is restimony enough to the fury of the Atlantic 60 feet above sea level. Landing from the sea on this most isolated of the British Isles is indeed, as Admiral Bayly says, an expensive rare event; but it is not

extremely rare event; but it is not unique. To the best of my memory, Admiralry Sailing Directions record the first such landing by a Lieutenant Hall, RN (who gave his name to the ledge on the south-east corner) early in the last century. And there have been several landings in more recent times—notably from HMS Hecla and RFA Engadine. The Hydrographer of the Navy could give chapter and verse. Yours faithfully. GEOFFREY HALL Legbourne Abbey,

Lincolnshire.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The motivation of management

From Lord Hill of Luton Sir, It would be a pity if the Survey of the Motivation of British Manof the Motivation of British Management, just published by Opinion Research Centre, were to be regarded only as a measurement of the discontent of British managers in terms of their financial problems and personal hardship, important though these factors undoubtedly are. As one who, in a non-executive role, has over the years been associated with a years been associated with a number of organizations, industrial public service and other, may I venture a view on what I have come to learn is a fundamental issue?

It is that high quality management is an indispensable element in the success of any organization and that this fact is insufficiently recognized by governments, by trade unions and by public opinion generally. Indeed, management believes that to an increasing extent it is being sidetracked by the big battalions, even derided by some who do not or will not understand the crucial role it plays in the creation of our national wealth, in sustaining and increasing employ-ment and in increasing our country's exports. Managers who believe their role to be undervalued are deprived of that level of esteem which human beings need if they are to give of their best. Rightly or wrongly many managers believe that they are unloved as well as unrecognized. Pay and conditions are but part of the story. Standing, status, recognition, esteem, call it what you will, all play their part in creating the atmosphere in which the greatest effort is made. These are the areas in which many managers feel they are slipping.

A country which undervalues its managers does so at its peril in a world in which the status of managers—and their remunerationso much higher in the industrial countries with which it has to compete for its fiving. Yours faithfully, HILL OF LUTON,

February 9.

Lady Falkender From Mr David Hardman

Sir, Whilst sympathizing with Lord Longford's wish for an end to the washing of dirty political linen in public, reveletions and gossip in the media and particularly in The Crossman Diaries do suggest that intrigue and venomous jealousies have been prevalent in the corridors of power in recent years. In fact we outsiders who discuss these matters dey by day think the bickering and appearance of vulgar shambles a disgrace to British Government—in the Cabiner Room and at No 10. Yours faithfully,

DAVID HARDMAN, 21 Hassocks Road, Hurstpierpoint, West Sussex, February 8.

Sir, I suggest that the allegations concerning Sir Harold Wilson's Honours List could be disposed of by the probably true and acceptable explanation that it is one of the duties of a Personal Private Secretary to help her employer by keeping lists, including in this case one of people to be considered for honours, and up-dating it from time to time. Without such an aide memoire a Prime Minister could not be expected to rely solely on his memory over years of office.

Government ministers' written replies to questions in the House are usually drafted by a depart-mental officer and subsequently verted by the minister concerned. No one complains about that and there is no evidence to suggest that Sir Harold did not vet Lady Falkender's list which no doubt was kept on his instructions. So why all this needless fuss? I am, Sir, your obedient servant, LEONARD HACKETT Billingbear Lodge, Wokingham,

Ordination of women The Reverend

February 8.

McCulloch Sir, Canon Mascall informs us (February 5) "that the opposition of Pope Paul and the Congregation for the Faith to the ordination of women to the priesthood is in fact shared by a great number of Angli-cans of both sexes".

Both sexes? The correspondence on this subject is sending to add verisimilitude to the bypothe-sis that there are, in fact, three sexes men, women and clergymen. Men and women already share Christian priesthood, as they have done from New Testament times. Whether women or, for that matter, men should be clergymen is another question — theologically irrelevant and institutionally obsolete in regard to Christian ministry in the modern world. Yours faithfully, JOSEPH McCULLOCH, Mary-Le-Bow, heapside, EC2. February 5.

Why April 5?

From Mr Hugh Peskett Sir, Mr Barclay's letter (February 3) has a flaw of its own; he falls into a popular trap as to when leap years occurred before 1752. The New Style Calendar Act, 1751, did not make any change in the sequence of leap years prior to 1800; thus, quite unaffected by the Act, February 29 was to be found in 1747/8, in 1752 and 1756. The Act made no changes whatsoever to the month of February, 1753. The catch is that the "multiple of four" rule for identifying leap years applies only when working on a January 1 New Year basis. Mr Barclay is right about the 12 days, but he is wrong about the reason. Yours faithfully, HUGH PESKETT Genealogist to Debrett Ancestry Research. 67 Parchment Street, Winchester.

Schooling for highly gifted children

From the Headmaster of Bedford Modern School
Sir, You report today (February 4)
Mrs Shirley Williams's startling solution to the problem of the highly gifted child in a comprehensive school system, which is that these schools "would have to develop Ollerenshaw's warning about haste Sir, You report today (February 4)
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school system, which is that these
schools "would have to develop schools "would have to develop centres of excellence. . . One school could do advanced work in classics while another did advanced work in physics. The advanced work should not all be done in one school, otherwise the old system of grammar schools and secondary moderns would be restored." In which case, of course, the humbug of claiming that comprehensive schools can cater properly for the highly gifted would be exposed.

But how can the poor highly

But how can the poor highly gifted child be expected to endure the strain of posting around all day in a taxi from school to school, for a bit of classics in this one, then a physics lesson in another, and then some really suitable English in a third—changing from one uniform to another en

Not a word was said during this television discussion to suggest that television discussion to suggest that there exist up and down the country dozens of independent schools (many like mine formerly direct grant) which would be able and pleased to cater for all the educational needs of highly gifted children within the walls of one school But then, one thing is certain about the "Great Educational Debate". No mention will be made from beginning to end of it of the existence of the schools which, as Ronald Butt wrote in your columns last October, have had the role of keeping academic standards alive which is why the extremists would like to wipe them off the face of the earth."

Incidentally. Mrs. Williams

Incidentally. Mrs Williams appeared to be under the delusion that pupils in secondary moderns could not take GCE. This is a delusion. Many pupils in such schools flourished in a less highly academic atmosphere and went on successfully to higher education. Yours faithfully, B. H. KEMBALL-COOK.

Headmaster, Bedford Modern School, Manton Lane. Bedford, February 4.

From Mr Deryk T. Kelly Sir, John Rae's contribution to the current educational debate (The Times, February 4) is thought provoking and deserves the closest attention. His solution has less to commend it in light of the history of most educational reports and

Rhodesian schoolchildren

From the High Commissioner for

is too good to be improved upon. The confirmation during this debate,

regarding Britain's constitutional and moral responsibility for

Rhodesian citizens, was particularly

agents of the Smith regime.

(i) The Government of Botswana

is neither barbarous nor "totall-tarian". There is a Parliament in Botswana elected by the people for

a maximum of five years. There are

three Opposition parties repre-sented in the Botswana Parliament.

democratic multi-party state have long been established before the emotive issue of the 400 children

and it would continue to so exist

after the concern for this issue has

are Refugee Reception Centres which are placing an inordinate strain on our limited resources to maintain. Interested individuals,

governments, voluntary bodies, Red Cross and the United Nations High

Commission for Refugees are aware

of these problems.
(iv) Since Mr Bell's sources of

ing camps in Botswana. All we

(iii) There are no guerrilla train-

petered out.

(ii) Botswana's credentials as a

MP (Rescor

February 8. information were selective quota-tions from The Times reports and visits to Rhodesia, perhaps next time while he is there he may find

Sir, "Abduction of schoolchildren from Rhodesia to Botswana". I wish to refer to reports of the debate of it educative to visit Botswana. I am sure he will be welcome. (v) "Sir Seretse Khama who is basically a Matebele himself though the above subject in the press and the Hansard Volume 925 of February 3, 1977. My observations are particularly directed to Mr Ronald like Nkomo, not of pure Matebele tribe." Sir Seretse khama is not and has never been assumed by until Mr Bell's dramatic ethnolo-gical disclosure on February 3, 1977, It is not my wish to challenge the Bonourable Member's expart know-ledge of Southern African affairs. Perhaps his knowledge of the area at the House of Commons.

Finally I appreciate the factual

presentation of the case by the Foreign Secretary and his Minister of State. I am convinced that we in Botswana will have the humility to accept the final verdict and I hope our accusers will have the magnani-mity to do the same. Yours faithfully,

The energy with which this matter was pursued by the Honourable Member and some of his colleagues was very impressive. This touching display for the concern of the 400 allegedly abducted children became area more displayed. B. M. SETSHOGO, High Commissioner. Borswana High Commission, 162 Buckingham Palacs Road, SW1. February 8.

became even more significant in view of the acts of aggression and abduction recently visited upon innocent Botswana citizens by From Canon R. A. B. Ewbank Sir, As headmaster of an African secondary school near the Botswana border, may I comment on the claim Now I wish to raise those points of fact on which, if need be, I am prepared to tutor the Honourable Member. that our pupils are harassed by the Rhodesian army?

Once a month a stick of six armed idiers arrive in a lorry and walk in extended order through the school grounds. They do not speak to me let alone the school children. The exercise takes about twenty

The purpose, I suppose, is to demonstrate that the army is alert Some of the older boys resent their coming; others find it reassur-ing. The younger ones are delighted the guns and cluster as near as

Though this is an unusual addition to our school programme, it is cer-tainly not "harassment" and gives no occasion for a mass flight. Yours faithfully, R. A. B. EWBANK, PO Box 1541, Bulawayo, Rhodesia.

Animals in research

From Mr Robert Jones.

From Mr Robert Jones.

Sir, Last Saturday (January 29) Mr
Hugh Jenkins referred to the question of cruelty in exposing animals
to the products of pyrolysis of polyvinyl chlorite (pvc), a material
widely used in consumer products.

The death risk from asphyxiation
in domestic fires where modern syntheric furnishings are involved has thetic furnishings are involved has become much greater in the past 20-30 years. Where fatalities occur, bodies are often recovered with no traces of burning. Detailed and painstaking investigations have continued for some years now at the Fire Research Station in an attempt to identify the main toxic products of combustion. In the case of pvc, the substances are chiefly hydrogen chloride and carbon monoxide.

Although the synergistic effects of various pairs of drugs in com-bination are known (the death-dealing association of alcohol and barbiturates is a notorious example). literature on the combined effects

of poisonous gases is very sparse. These aspects of animal experimentation can easily be presented so as to appear cruel, callous, and unnecessary. In this way the mub of the matter, namely, the threat to the public, can easily be ignored.

True, death is death, whether hideously by burning, or by eccidental
asphyxiation; but does the combination of hydrogen chloride and carbon monoxide pose an additional, unexpected hazard? Are the toxic

effects merely additive or are they multiplicative? What kinds of pathological conditions, such as pulmonary oedema or bronchial steno-sis, develop in survivors after exposure? These and other questions can be answered by experiments with live creatures. Until this information is available, the relevance of pathological findings to the treatment of human casualties cannot be assessed.

Government awareness and scientific endeavour, working in tandem, now pass on to the public measures of protection that were undreamt of before the war, both at work and in the home. Mr Jenkins has done a useful service in drawing attention to the kind of tests on which protection may depend. But, by not placing the work firmly within its social context, the perspective has been seriously distorted. The alternative is to wait until incidents happen to people, and then just to hope and pray that sufficient background data is available to draw meaningful conclusions. But by that time human lives may have been unnecessarily

Is this really what Mr Jenkins wants? Your faithfully, ROBERT JONES, Scientific Liaison Officer, Research Defence Society, Lettsom House, 11 Chandos Street Cavendish Square, W1. February 2.

Canterbury and

Rome

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and its dangers.

If his analysis is correct we need

no Royal Commission to discover

that one important component of the education of the future must be

relevance to work and living. The

luxury of the pursuit of knowledge for its own sake, a goal which has signally failed to inspire many of

our school students, can no longer

In the field of science, teaching methods of applying science to the solution of real problems merit as much attention as the acquisition of scientific knowledge; routines and attitudes germain to practical problems acquisition are appropriate as a proposant as

lem solving are as important as appreciation of "scientific method". The introduction of engineering science courses in the schools is

one of a number of recent develop

ments that illustrate how such

changes in educational emphasis

might be achieved, changes which are relevant to both work and leisure activities."

Sir, How fortunate we are that a sum of money—perhaps a consider-

able sum—has been spent to enable our revered inspectorate to reveal

the devastating truth about educa-tion. How amazed parents, children

and educationalists must be to dis-

cover from their report (February

7) that success does not depend on whether the school is comprehen-

sive or not but—and pause here for a gasp of astonishment—on the ability of the headmaster and his

May we now expect to hear even more amazing revelations? Could it be that children need to learn their tables or that listening to the

teacher is important? With revolu-

ROBIN PEVERETT, Headmaster,

Dulwich College Preparatory School,

tainly proving its value.

Yours faithfully.

Coursehorn, Cranbrook,

Yours faithfully.

Loughborough,

Leicestershire,

February 4.

DERYK T. KELLY,

Leader, Engineering Science Development Unit, University of Technology,

From Mr Robin Peverett

From Colonel R. J. A. Hornby Sir, It was only in December 1960 that the then Archbishop of Canterthat the then Archbishop of Canter-bury, Geoffrey Fisher, took the courageous step to go to Rome and meet Pope John, thus breaking an "official" silence of 400 years between the Church of Rome and the Church of England. I had the honour to share in the planning and accompany the Archbishop.

Throughout Geoffrey Fisher was seeking one objective a spirit of

seeking one objective, a spirit of Christian unity where before there had been only hostility, suspicion and at times, hatred. He did not seek organic union and thought that immediate moves to achieve it would be disruptive, that it was better for the Christian churches to work together in their own way rather than indulge in schemes of reunion for the sake of mere theological tidyness. Surely we are now witnessing a gradual destruc-tion of the goodwill and coopera-tion created by Fisher and consol-idated by the visit of Archbishop Ramsey to Pope Paul in 1966.

Returning with the Archbishop one could only observe that the changes in relations between the two churches during those six years had been unbelievable, largely due to Archbishop Rænsey's theological insight of the position of the Church of Rome in relation to the Church of England and of course the immense authority of the late Cardinal Bea.

One commends Ramsey's silence in not commenting upon current church affairs in his retirement, but one longs also for his sample but profound clarification of the theological issues which appear to be rending us apart once Yours faithfully,

R. J. A. HORNEY, Horley House, Borley, Near Banbury, Oxfordshire, February 8.

Tree planting

From Mr C. S. Aston. Sir, Lady Keswick (letters, February 9) may be assured that many trees will be planted for the Queen's Silver Jubilee. A scheme to raise money for this purpose has been started in Windsor by which anyone wishing to donate a tree to the Queen for £10 is given a tree painting by Graham Rust and there is a series of 10 for those who wish to give more,

All donors will have their names entered in a Royal Tree Record to be presented to Her Majesty at the end of Jubiles Year, and members of the Royal Family have kindly agreed to join in. Last autumn Prince Philip, as patron of the scheme, planted the first oak in Queen Anne's Ride. Windson Great Park, where the avenue has been destroyed by Dutch elm

Through the generosity of the printers the Tree Council can provide the tree prints free to local authorities and other societies wishing to promote the scheme in their

I need hardly add that planting trees is not enough. They will need care and protection and it would be thoroughly in keeping with the spirit of the Silver Jubiles if young people could be encouraged to take part in this. They will be helping to reate a better landscape for the Golden Jubilee.

Yours sincererly,
C. S. ASTON, Vice-Chairman,
The Tree Council, 17-19 Rochester Row, SW1. February 9.

The Jubilee Hymn

From Mr Vivian Ellis Sir, Of course our Poet Laureste and the Master of the Queen's Musick (with or without a K) are right. A lyric, specifically written to be ser to music, is not a poem, good or bad, as anyone acquainted with the difference between the spoken and sung word would know, The only occasion I recall setting

a printed poem during my long association with the late Sir Alan Herbert was quite early in our acquaintance C. B. Cochran had sent me to Hammersmith with instructions to "dig up anything I could find" for his forthcoming revue, Streamline. I dug up Other People's Babies

from A. P. H.'s Book of Ballads and having made several suggested alterations returned it, somewhat abashed, to the author, who with prior knowledge of these matters, set about pulling his verses to pieces and putting them together

Incidentally this song (as it ultimately became) was originally printed under a section entitled: Ballads for Broadbrows, a point Mr Nicholas Fairbairn mìght bear in mind when writing verse with a view to its being set to music.
VIVIAN ELLIS, Holnicore_

Nr Minchead, Somerset.

Fram Mr Fritz Spiegl

Sir, PHS is brilliantly saturical, as always, but too harsh. The Jubilee Hymn compares well with loyal effusions by previous poets laureate; for example, Eusden's address to George II, which contains

Thy virtues shine particularly nice.

Ungloomed with a confinity to vice. or Shadwell's to William III

after the latter had been wounded at the battle of the Boyne: But Heav'n of you took such

That soon the Royal Breach it did repair! And indeed your paper in 1896 published Alfred Austin's celebration of the Jameson Raid without jibbing at the lines:

They went across the veldt As hard as they could pelt. Yours, etc. FRITZ SPIEGL. Windermere Terrace. Liverpool. February 7.



Deafness is like a road accident. It always happens to other people. Until it happens to you. The RNID is in

urgent need of money to help the deaf. Will you please spare something (even a couple of pounds would help) so that this very necessary work can go on? And be thankful it isn't for you.

No stamp needed. Royal National Institute for the Deaf Room 3, FREEPOST 105 Gower Street, London WC1E 6BR.

Patron: HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, KG.

helps deaf people to live with deafness

Receptions



BUCKINGHAM PALACE
February 9:—The Lord McFadrean had the honour of being received by The Queen this morning
when Her Majesty invested him
with the Insignia of a Knight of
the Most Ancient and Most Noble
Urder of the Thistle:
His Excellency Monsieur Paul
llamoko-Djel was received in
audience by The Queen and presented his Letters of Credence as
Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary from the Republic
of Chad to the Court of St
James's.

James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following member of the Embassy who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty:

Monsieur Mathurin Dohorade Monsieur Mathurin Donorace (Second Secretary).
Sir Michael Palliser (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the honour of being received by The Queen, was present and the Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in attendance.

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His Excellency Herr Karl. Gunther von Hase and Frau von Hase were received in farewell audience by Her Majesty and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Federal Republic of Germany to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency Dr Patrick V. J. Solomon and Mrs Solomon were received in farewell audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago in London.

Mr Peter Wright had the honour of being received by The Queen when Her Majesty Invested him with the Insignia of a Commander of the Royal Victorian Order.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by Mrs John Dugdale, the Hon Mary Morrison, Lieutenant-Colonel the Right Hon Sir Martin Charteris, Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Ashmore, Mr William Heseltine, Mr Ronald Allison, Surgeon-Captain Norman Blacklock, RN. Air Commodore Archie Winskill, Major Robin Broke and Lieunenant-Commander Anthony Blackburn, RN, left Heathrow Airport, London, this evening in a Boeing 707 aircraft of British Airways (Captain P. J. Royce) for the Silver Jubilee visits to Western Samos, Tonga, Fiji, New Zaeland,

A memorial service for Cecil Roberts, poet and novelist, 1892-1975, will be held at St Margaret's Church, Westminster, on Thurs-day, February 24 1977, at noon. Today's engagements

Birthdays today

Dame Judith Anderson, 79; Sir Charles Collins, 90; Mr Alexander Comfort, 57; Dr Walter Hamilton, 69; Field Marshal Lord Harding of Petherton, 31; Sir Alister Hardy, 81; Professor J. Heslop-Harrison, 57; Mr Lealie Hurry, 58; Sir George Kitson, 78; Mr Harold Macmillan, 83; Lord Orr-Ewing, 65.

Lord Saint Brides The life barony conferred on Sir Morrice James has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Saint Brides, of Basguard in the county of Dyfed.

ness were received upon arrival at the Airport by Mr Kenneth Walter (Director, Heathrow Airport, London), Marshal of the Royal Air Force the Lord Elworthy (Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Greater London), Mr Force Walers, His Excellency Mr Inoke Faletsu (High Commissioner for Tonga), His Excellency Sir John Buning (High Commissioner for Australia), His Excellency the Hon Douglas Carter (High Commissioner for New Zealand), His Excellency Mr New Zealand), His Excellency Mr J. D. Gibson (High Commissioner for Fiji), Mr Frederick Reiher (Acting High Commissioner for Papua New Guinea), Mr Henry Marking (Deputy Chairman, British Airways), the Lord Boyd-Carpenter (Chairman, Civil Aviation Autho-rity) and Mr Nigel Foulkes (Chair-man, British Airports Authority). The Hon Mary Morrison has

ning also had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming his appointment as Commanding Officer of the 1st Bartalion. The King's Regiment.

KENSINGTON PALACE
February 9: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon,
Colonel-in-Chief Queen Alexandra's Royal Army Nursing
Corps, this afternoon received
Brigadier Helen Cattanach on
relinquishing her appointment as
Matron-in-Chief and Director of
Army Nursing Services.

Army Nursing Services.

Her Royal Highness also received Brigadier Joan Moriarty on assuming this appointment.

KENSINGTON PALACE
February 9: The Duke of
Gloucester visited the National
Exhibition Centre, Birmingham.
Bis Royal Highness travelled in an
aircraft of the Queen's Flight.
Lieutenant-Colonel Simon Bland

Lieutenant Colonel Simon Riand was in attendance.
Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester this evening received Miss Mary Faulkner on relinquishing her appointment as General Secretary of The Queen's Nursing Institute.

ueen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, on behalf of the Queen,

holds investiture, Buckinghan

Palace, 11; later as Chancellor

of London University, attends

reception, University of London

Painting in Focus: "Madama Moitessier" by Ingres (1780-1867), Nanional Gallery, 10-6.

Royal Mews open to public, Buck-

Memorial service for Lord Tren-

chard, Westminster Abbey, 12.

ingham Palace Road, 2-4.

KENSINGTON PALACE

Australia and Papua New Guinea Her Majesty and His Royal High

Mr A. R. Baker
and Miss C. M. Houston
The engagement is announced
between Antony, son of Mr and
Mrs G. Baker, of Welshpool,
Powys, and Carolyn, daughter of
Mr and Mrs E. Houston, of King's
Walden Hertfordsbire

Walden, Hertfordshire. Mr R. D. Garton and Miss S. E. Miles-Marsh and Miss S. E. Miles-Marsh
The engagement is announced between Raymond David, son of Mr and Mrs R. F. Garton, East Grinstead, Sussex, and Sue Elizabeth, daughter of Major and Mrs D. G. Miles-Marsh, Oddington, Moreton-in-Marsh, Gloucestershire. The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded the Lady Rose Baring as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Professor Sir Michael Swann at the Memorial

Service for Sir David Martin (formerly Executive Secretary of the Royal Society) which was held at St Columba's Church of Scot-Mr S. H. Jackson and Miss E C. A. Fletcher The engagement is announced between Simon. second son of Colonel W. H. Jackson, CBE. DL, of Sun Cottage, Barford, Warwickshire, and the late Mrs Jackson, and Elizabeth, daughter of Brigadier and Mrs Neil Fletcher, of North Manor House, Tidworth, Hampshire. land, Pont Street, London, today. CLARENCE HOUSE CLARENCE HOUSE
February 9: Lieutenant-Colonel
Geoffrey Lee today had the
honour of being received by Queen
Elizabeth The Queen Mother,
Colonel-in-Chief, The King's Regiment, upon relinquishing his
appointment as Commanding
Officer of the 1st Battallon.
Lieutenant-Colonel Colin Denning also had the homour of being

Forthcoming

marriages

Mr A. R. Baker

Mr W. R. Merton and Mrs E. St. J. Gwynne The engagement is announced between William Ralph Merton, of 97 Cadogan Gardens, London, SW3, and Judy Angela Gwynne, of 3 Laochester Court, Seymour Street, London, W2.

Mr P. J. Milewski and Miss F. J. Henniker and Miss F. J. Henniker
The engagement is announced between Peter Jan, elder son of Mrs Amina Milewska, of Well Parm, Napley, Market Drayton, Salop, and the late Dr Z. S. Milewski, and Fiona Jane, daughter of Brigadier Sir Mark and Lady Henniker, of Pistyll, St Mellons, near Cardiff.

Mr F. N. V. Rainey and Tatiana Countess Zuboff The engagement is announce The engagement is announced between Francis, youngest son of Mr F. T. Rainey, of Fuengirola, Spaln, and of Mrs V. Rainey, of 73 Lansdowne Road, London, Wii, and Tatiana, elder daughter of Count and Countess Zuboif, of Stuttgart, Germany.

Mr A. G. Simpson and Miss V. J. C. Evans
The engagement is announced between Alan Gordon, younger son of Mr G. R. Simpson and the late Mrs Simpson, Arntonie, Port of Menteith, and Veronica Janet Carlyon, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs L. J. C. Evans, The Old Post Cottage, Morrombe, Shaftss-bury.

Mr J. P. Swinfen Green and Miss G. M. Dussek
The engagement is announced between Jeremy, son of Brigadier and Mrs J. S. Green, of Verdier of Mr and Mrs J. L. Dussek, of Reading, Berkshire.

Christening

The infant son of Mr and the Hon Mrs Colin Chisholm was christened Hugh Archibald John by Father Gerard Irvine at St Matthew's, Westminster, on Monday, February 7. The godparents are Mr William Garrett (for whom the Hon D. F. Howard stood proxy). Mr Charles St George, Mr Charles Tallents, Miss Suice Babington Smith, Mrs Michael Davie and Miss Celia Knight.



Goblets saved: One of the two finest pieces of Venetian glass from the John Malcolm collec-tion, sold at Christie's on Tuestion, sold at Christie's on Inexday, that have been rescued for
the nation by the Cinzano
Glass Museum. It is a Venetian
goblet, dating from about 1550,
according to Peter Lazarus, the
museum curator, which was sold
for £10,000. The other piece is an
exotic spirally formed goblet and
cover of the late sixteenth century, which fetched £14,000. Both
had been bought at Christie's by tury, which fetched £14,000. Both had been bought at Christie's by a German dealer, Rainer Zietz. and have been acquired from him; most of the collection, formed by a great nineteenth-century connoisseur, was bought by German and Dutch dealers.

and Dutch dealers.

The Cinzano museum is owned and run by Cinzano UK; it has no permanent home but tours from museum to museum. Last year it was exhibited in Liverpool, Sheffield, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Nottingham and Swansea. This year it is touring Germany and Holland but next year will be shown at the Victoria and Albert Museum from March to Max, and will visit Birmingham and Stoke-on-Trent.

Latest appointments

The first solicitors to be appointed circuit judges are named in a list of new appointments to the Bench published today.

published today.
Only barristers can be appointed circuit judges directly, but under the Courts Act, 1971, solicitors became eligible to be recorders, and after five years as recorders could be appointed circuit judges.

The five solicitors in today's list were appointed recorders on January 1, 1972. They are Mr A. E. Cox, Mr G. J. Black, Mr G. G. A. Whitehead, Mr J. R. Warde, and Mr J. K. E. Slack. Mr Black and Mr Whitehead have been assigned to the Midland and Oxford Circuit, and Mr Cox, Mr Warde and Mr Slack to the South Eastern Circuit.

Mr David Napley, president of Mr David Napley, president of the Law Society, expressed his "immense gratification" at the appointments. They reflected the taltifaction felt for the manner in

which recorders who were solici-tors bad performed their public duties, he said. The following have also been appointed circuit judges: Mr M. L. M. Chavasse, QC. Mr A. Garfitt (assigned to South Eastern Circuit); Mr K. J. Taylor (Midland and Oxford Circuit).

Other appointments include : Mr Peter Dews to be artistic director of the Chichester Festival Theatre from November, in suc-cession to Mr Keith Michell.

Church news

Crystal-case | OBITUARY watch of 1650 is sold for £45,000

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

A little watch made by Daniel-Gom, of Lyons, in about 1650 and enclosed in a single crystal of gar-net, hollowed and mounted in gold to form a case, was sold at Christie's yesterday for £45,000 (estimate £15,000 to £20,000). The use of a single crystal of a precious or semi-precious stone for a case is rare; it is very wasteful. The watch is of much horological interest, having an original prebalance spring mech-anism unaltered and in working

The gold mounts of the case are enamelled, possibly to imitate ermine, and set with rose diamonds, It is an elegant little frolic, clearly made for a lady to wear around her neck. Christie's suggest that Gom, Lyons' official city clockmaker, made it for a local notable, but others believe that it must have had a royal Provenance.

It was brought to Christie's with

some jewelry, its owner having been rold by a local jeweller that it might be worth about £1,000. It was bought yesterday by Mann-beimer, of Zurich, with Bobinet, of London, as the underbidder. It is one of the highest auction prices for a watch. Until 10 days ago the record stood at £49,000, but on January 30 an early-nineteenth-century gold-and-enamed Chinese market watch with a case nine:eenth-century gold-and-enamed Chinese market watch with a case signed Dupon; was hid to 500,000 francs in Geneva. or £116,000.

That was rather a fluke price, with a German industrialist who collects that type of watch successfully bidding against an agent who had an unlimited bid. The sale took place at the Gallerie Genevoise d'Horologerie Ancienne.

Christie's sale toulled £184,515, with 3 per cent unsold. An English

Christie's safe totalled £184,515, with 3 per cent unsold. An English gift-metal quarter-striking carriage clock by McMaster and Son, of Dublin, made £5,000 (estimate £3,500 to £4,000), to Marsh and a large French gift-metal chronometer carriage clock by Berthoud went to Meyrick Neilson at £5,500 (estimate £3,500 to £4,500).

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There were several other highpriced carriage clocks and a
French "swinging bezel"
calendar clock, signed "Waltrin
a Paris 1781" at f4,000 (estimate
£1,400 to £1,500), to P. Weiss.

A coin sale at Glendinlog's
yesterday made £76,236, with 2
per cent unsold. An 1893 gold
proof £5 made £1,650 (estimate
£1,100), to Watson, a £576 doppia
of Emannel Filibert of Sardinia
and Savoy made £1,400 (estimate
£1,500), to Graham, and an £876
gold Japanese yen made the same
price. At Sotheby's a routine sale o

At Sotheby's a routine sale of Impressionist and modern pictures made £40.050, with 6 per cent unsold. A Serusier oil endtled "La Rousse" made £1,500 (estimate £500 to £500) and a copy of Degas's "L'Absinthe", by Suzanne Eisendieck, went to Coinagh's at £1,100 (estimate £500 to £700). Beigian stamps: Most of the collection of Beigian stamps formed by the late B. Lestie Barker. of Fulbeck, was sold for £135,310 (estimate of £77.000) in a two-day sale which ended at

a two-day sale which ended at Harmer's, Bond Street, yesterday.

Fifty collectors and dealers from Belgium bought most of the lots. A used block of six of the 1858 1 centime green fetched \$1,700 (estimate \$300 to \$400).

Diocese of Glopcester

Diocese of Lincoln
The Rev T. Peck. curate of St.
Margate's, Swinton, diocese of Stefeld, to be Team Vicer in the team
scholstry of St. James's, Grimaby.
The Rev R. D. James, priest-incharge of New Waltham, to be priestin-charge of St. Adden's, Cleethorpes,
The Rev R. J. Wells, Rector of
Stegness, to be also priest-in-charge of
Wintherpe.

The Rev J. L. Watson, chaptain of Estree School. Wothampton, to be Vicar of the new united benefice of Woohampton and Midgham.

Nocese of Salisbury
The Right Rev J. D. G. Kirkham, Saritagan Eishop of Sherborne, the Rev K. G. W. Prior, Vicar of Long-Rest, Poole, and the Rev R. D. C. Walters, priest-in-charge of Burcomb and diocesan missioner, to be canons and probendaries of Salisbury Cathedral. The Rev M. D. Tilght. Rector of Tarrant Gunville, Tarrant Hinton, Tarrant Moniton and Tarrant Launceston, to be also priest-in-charge of Tarrant Rushton. Tarrant Rawston, Tarrant Rushton. Tarrant Rawston, Tarrant Reynston and Tarrant Crewford.

25 years ago

Diocese of Oxford

SIR GERARD THORNTC. Research in soil microbiolo;

Sir Gerard Thornton, FRS, died peacefully at his home at St Albans on Pebruary 6 at the age of 84. He will be remembered for his measurements. From his retirements and important studies on soil microbes, made in the course of a long career spent almost wholly at Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden. Henry Gerard Thornton was educated at Radley and at New College, Oxford, and joined Rothamsted shortly after the end of the First World War where he had care in science and in the continued to greatest interest in fixation and in the strange vances made world-w study during the particular programm and the energy crisis.

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Thornton's interest in fixation and in the strange vances made world-w stimulated by the limitation and the energy crisis. Rothamsted shortly after the end of the First World War where he had served as a pilot in the Royal Flying Corps.

In 1919 soil microbiology was a very rudimentary science, and Thornton's early work was much concerned with the devising of a range of techniques for isolating, identifying and counting various groups of soil bacteria and in promoting parallel studies by others on soil fungi, protoza and algae.

With his friend the late R. A. Fisher he pioneered the appli-cation of statistics to the problems of enumerating bacteria in soil. He had a special interest in the microbial breakdown of aromatic disinfectants in soil, and this work was later to be-come specially relevant to the discovery, which he shared with others, of the selective hormons herbicides (chlorinated pheno-oxyacids). His greatest in-fluence, however, was through his distinguished research on biological nitrogen fixation, especially by root-nodulated leguninous plants. His detailed investigation of their micro-biology, structure and physi-ology laid the foundation for

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Mr Frederick Thomas Ridley, FRCS, died on February 2 at the of 73. He was born in Birmingham in 1903 and received his early education at king Edward's. He graduated BSc, Birmingham, in 1922 and proceeded to MB, BS, London, in 1925. He also became a licentiate of the Society of Apothacaries. He acquired the Fellowship of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1928.

While a clinical assistant in the eye department at St Mary's Hospital he interested himself in lysozyme which had been discovered by Flaming in 1922 and he devised a method of purification and concentra-tion. In 1928 when Fleming dis-covered penicillin Ridley was asked to employ this method involving evaporation of culture fluid under vacuum at low temperatures. Although it was too slow and costly to be con-sidered commercially much was learnt about the chemical behaviour of penicillin organic solvent. Unfortunately Fleming had lost interest in the anti-bacterial potenialities of the new substance when this stage

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He was educated at Exeter He was educated at Exeter School and the Sorbonne, commissioned into the Suffolk Regiment in 1917 and attended the Staff College at Camberley 1929-30. Whilst on the General Staff 1931-40, he supervised the trials which led to he selection of the Bren Gur, and later was Director of Intelligence in the Far East. In the latter capacity, he made a detailed report on the security of Singapore and Technical Assistar gramme 1951-53, fr 1953-62, and for OEC Ris task was extreme since he had to ove much greater much greater barri existed in the 1950 East and West and victors and vangul the security of Singapore and Malaya, predicting the nature and sequence of the subsequent victors and vanqui personality enabled initiate and sustain recruitment from m tries, including the Union East European

Army and was responsible for establishing the highly successful system of War Office Selec-tion Boards, introducing radically new selection techniques based on practical and psychological assessments of leadership. He applied these techniques to the Indian Army in 1943 as Director of Selection and Personnel. and Personnel.

MR DAVID GREENSLADE

nd Personnel.

Upon retirement in 1945, he in the United Kingd

Eric Cheadle writes: David Greenslade was a gentleman of the press in every

Amid all the pressures facing

the industry today David was always fair, balanced and moderate in his views and unfailingly loyal to his profession. He was a sympathetic and

but wholly effective leader, and as true a friend as one could His presidency of the Guild

British Council Sir John Llewellyn, Director-General of the British Council, was host at a reception given at 10 Spring Gardens yesterday on the occasion of the British Council symposium on agricultural educa-tion and Europe.

HM Government
Mr. Frank Judd, Minister for
Overseas Development, was bost at
a reception in honour of the
executive committee of the Industry Cooperation Programme of the
Road and Agriculture Organizafood and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, at Admiralty House, Whitehall, year-terday. The guests included Baroness Liewelyn-Davies of Hastoe, Lord Oram and executives of international companies.

Service dinners

The London Scottish
A regimental guest night was held
in the Officers' Mess at Headquarters, 59 Buckingham Gate,
last night. Colonel D. V. Penman
(Joint Honorary Colonel) was in
the chair, and the guests were
the Lord Mayor of Westminster,
Mr Robert Brown, MP, and Lord
Balemo.

Universities of Glasgow and Strath-Universities of Glasgow and Strath-ciyde Air Squadron. The annual dinner of the Univer-sities of Glasgow and Strathclyde. Air Squadron took place at Glas-gow University yesterday. The guest of honour was the Principal and Vice-Chancellor of Strath-clyde University, Sir Samuel Curtan. Those present included the Lord Provost of Glasgow. Air Marshal Sir Rex Roe, and the Principal of Glasow University.

Memorial service

Sir David Martin
The Duke of Edinburgh was represented by Sir Michael Swann at a service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Sir David Martin, held at St Columba's Church of Scotland, Pont Street, Chelsea,

yesterday.
The Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey
officiated. Sir Alan Hodgkin, OM,

immediate Past President of the Royal Society, read the lesson and Lord Todd, President of the

Royal Society, read the lesson and Lord Todd, President of the Royal Society, gave an address. Among those present were: Lady Martin (widow), Mrs W. Martin and Miss E. A. Wilson (sisters-in-law), Mr and Mrs C. Darby (brother-in-law and sister-in-law), Mr D. B. Martin, Mr E. Akhurst, Mr and Mrs A. E. Ward. Mr N. Clark, Mr S. J. Mason Teasurer. Royal Society and Mrs Mrson with Lady Iodd, Sir Harrie and Lady Massey professor D. C. Phillips, Dr Mrson Villa Lady Cathering and Mrs B. J. Rotter, Dr G. D. H. Beit, Professor G. E. Phillips, Dr Mrson Cathering Professor and Mrs R. A. Raphael, Professor and Lady Menter, Sir Ashley and Lady Menter, Sir Ashley and Lady Menter, Sir Ashley and Lady Penney and Sir , Harold and Lady Thompson. The Earl of Halbury, Lord Hinton of Bankside, OM, Lord Brimelow, Baroness E. Esoi of Halbury, Lord Hinton of Bankside, OM, Lord Brimelow, Baroness E. Esoi of Halbury, Lord Hinton of Bankside, OM, the Hon Sir John Henniker-Maior, Lady Gammans (Women's Council) with Mrs

Dances and cocktail

Parties, 1977
A fist of some of the dances and cocktail parties arranged to take place during 1977 will be published on March 7. It will be revised and repeated on May 2 and again on July 4. The charge for inclusion in one list will be 16. Sin. two lists 27 and in three lists fig. Includes should be made to Court and Social Advertising. The Times, PO Box 7, New Printing House Square, Gray's Ina Read, London WCIX 8EZ (telephone 01-837 1234, ext 7363).

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Luncheon

The High Commissioner for Sri Lanka was guest of honour yester-day at the Rotary Club of London's Wednesday huncheon at the Café Royal. Mr. F. Spears, president of the club, was in the chair.

Dinners

IIM Government

Mr Anthony Crosland, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, and Mrs Crosland were hosts at a dinner in honour of the American Ambassador and Mr Tobin Armstrong at 1 Carlton Gardens yesterday. The guests included:

Mr Anthony Wedgwood Benn. MP, and Mrs Benn. Mr Harold Lever, MP, and Mrs Lever, Mr Henry Moore, OM, and Mrs Mgore, Str Michael Paliser, Pro-fessor Hugh and Lady Alexandra Trevo-Roper, Mr and Mrs David Bassett, Mr Bind Mrs Romald Spiers, Mr and Mrs Roderick MacFarquiar, Professor and Mrs Daniel Beil, Mr and Mrs Baston, Watt, and Mr and Mrs Eaven, Ferguston.

The Lord Mayor and the Sheriffs attended a dinner given by the Company of Watermen and Lightermen of the River Thames at Fishmongers' Hall yesterday. The Master, Mr M. R. Francis, pre-tided and among others present

The Senior Warden, Mr R. A. Canis, the Junior Wardens Brigadier John Constant, Mr T. J. T. Metcalt and Mr S. E. A. Spons, Mr Cohn Fawren, Mr S. E. A. Spons, Mr Cohn Fawren, Mr G. C. A. Capten, Mr Constant Capten, Mr Consta

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Admiral Sir Edward Ashmore (left) and Air Chief Marshal Sir

Chiefs of Defence Staff

By Our Air Correspondent
Admiral Sir Edward Ashmore is
to be Chief of the Defence Staff
until September 1, when he will
be succeeded by Air Chief Marshal Sir Neil Cameron, the Ministry of Defence apprayment last try of Defence announced last night.

The appointments follow the sudden death last month of the Chief of the Defence Staff, Marshal of the RAF Sir Andrew Humphrey. Admiral Sir Rdward Ashmore, who is promoted to Admiral of the Fleet, took over as CDS on Sir Andrew's death. He is due to retire from the Services in

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August and his successor as Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral Sir Terence Lewin, has been appointed.



By the time Air Chief Marshal Sir Neil Cameron becomes CDS he will have been Chief of the Air Staff for just over a year. His successor as CAS has yet to be named.
Sir Edward Ashmore was born in December, 1919, and entered the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, in September, 1933.
Sir Neil Cameron was born in Perth in July, 1920, and joined the RAF at the beginning of the Second World War.



Appointments:

The Rev D. J. Athins. Minister of Roly Cross. Conventional District. Motipur Park, directs of Southwark, to be parks in rices of the Ascension. Mitchans. Same diocese of Southwark. The Rev J. E. Barres. Vicar Chorsi of St. Asaph Cathedral, to be Vicar of St. Mary's and All Saints. Waisingham, with St. Peter's and St. Giles. Houghton. diocese of Norwich.

The Ray R. B. S. Burston, curate of St. Wilrid's. Wontion, diocese of Newcastle. to be Vicar of Alwhinon with Holystone and Alpham. Same diocese. The Ray C. Cook, curate of City, to be priest-in-charge of Stitten with Denion and Caldecote, and Folkenworth with Morbonne. Same diocese.

The Ray C. Cook, curate of Corringham, diocese of Cheimsford, to be priest-in-charge of East Domyland 'Rowhadge', same diocese. The Ray F. M. Griffith, Rector of Tree Ray F. M. Griffith, Rector of Strategorder, and clocase of Strategorder, Same diocese of The Ray G. Hurst, Vicar of St. Mark's. Wailingborough, diocese of St. Mark's. Leicester, and Industrial listson of Pheterbounds. In be priest-in-charge of St. Mark's. Leicester, and Industrial listson of These Fee The Ray G. Hurst, G. Corring-inton of These Fee The Ray G. Hurst, Carry of St. Mark's. Leicester, and Industrial listson of These Fee The Books of Leicester.

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CHURCHILL COLLEGE: R. M.
Acheson, MD, ScD, professor of community medicine, professorist fallow-

ST JOHN'S COLLEGE: Research fellowships from May: P. P. Sims-Williams,
MA (Trinity H). medieval studies; M
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C). pure mathematics; R. H. Frien's
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vania, and Churchill C), appelled mathematics; M. F. Randoiph, BA (Oxford
and St John's C). engineering.

From The Times of Saturday, Feb 9, 1952 The public proclamation of the accession of the new Sovereign was made in London yesterday with befitting pomp and colour. Outside St James's Palace, at Charing Cross and Temple Bar. and from the steps of the Royal Exchange, the proclamation was read by one of the Officers of Arms. Royal salutes of artillery carried the tidings far and wide among the citizens. It was the carried the tidings far and wide among the citizens. It was the first occasion of pageantry of the Queen's reign, a momentary note of rejoicing interposed between the long-drawn mourning rites for King George. The first keen grief at the King's death is not yet purged or even assuaged; nevertheless by old custom the flags were run up yesterday to their full height for some six hours from the time of the earliest reading of the proclamation. The

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Science report

Zoology: The salamander's tail

Every time a Californian salamander shells its tail to escape a predator it is apparently resolving an evolutionary conflict between its immediate chances of survival and its chances of reproducing in the slightly longer term. To regenerate a tail the amphibian has to use resources that would otherwise be directed to reproduct. survival and its chances of repro-ducing in the slightly longer term. To regenerate a tall the amphibian has to use resources that would otherwise be directed to reproduc-

The salamander's dilemma has been described by Dr Virginia Malorana, of the University of California, in studies on Batrachoseps attenuatus. Her experiments have shown that, when tailless,

in the wild, salamanders with broken tails were less likely to be breeding, or were breeding less successfully, than similarly sized salamanders with mils infact.

A laboratory experiment in which salamanders were collected

reading of the proclamation. The proclamation was read by Garrer King of Arms, Sir George Bellew, from the balcony

atimal has been able to store in the rainy season. By Nature-Times News Service Source: Nature, Feb 11 (265, 533: 1577) Nature-Times News Service,

B.S.C. writes: Brigadier F. H. Vinden, CIE, died suddenly on February 2 in Paris at the age of 78. Jo Vinden, as he was known, had a distinguished careful and a distinguished careful and a haloing.

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Mrs Frances Leggett, who died on February 5, was formerly the wife of Captain David Margesson, Chief Government Whip, 1931-40, and later Visor of 65. whip, 1931-40, and later viscount Margesson. She was
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Mr Wedgwood Benn, silent on size of exploration budget.

Much of the interest was centred on blocks in the Moray Firth area, and most of the large groups picked up acreage there. The only major company excluded was British Petroleum, which was disappointed last night that it did not get new

BP was, however, awarded the four licences off the west coast of Scotland in an area now claimed by the Irish. Mr Benn defended Britain's right to allocate the blocks but said there would be talks with the Irish Government.

The National Coal Board will be allowed to enter the oil

be allowed to enter the oil refining and marketing business under a new Coal Industry Bill published yesterday. The Bill will also extend the board's borrowing powers from £1,100m to £2,600m and restore the Government shillry to make

grants of up to £175m to promote coal sales to electricity boards and build up stocks. Participation agreements were also announced yesterday with Murphy Oil and Odeco, two of the partners to the section of the Ninian field in block 3/3. Both companies are pertwork with four ners in a consortium that was

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Resistance to Morpeth proposals growing

By Our Financial Staff By Our Financial Staff
Opposition is mounting to
the Morpeth proposals on inflation accounting. Both influential company finance directors and auditing accountants
want extensive changes on the
grounds that Morpeth goes too
far, too fast.

Finance directors of 27 major
Midland companies have formed
a group chaired by Mr P. J.
Custis of Guest Keen & Nettlefolds, which is preparing a

folds, which is preparing a draft to present to the Morpeth Steering Committee on infla-tion accounting. It is intended to extend this group to cover about 40 major companies.

The "Group of 100" finance directors of major companies with a London base is also beieved to be considering the Morpeth proposals in a similar light to the Midland group. And several major firms of auditing accountants will be submitting suggestions for modifications to the Accounting Standards Committee under which the Morpeth proposals, exposure draft 18, were issued.

Mr Hugh Patterson, Whinney Murray's senior partner, said of ED 18: "It is too subjective. It is trying to do too much just too quickly. It is necessary to concentrate on the more important aspects and not confuse the issue by all sorts of subjective adjustments."

He thought it important that a move was made to stop the present position of overstated profits by adjusting for the effects of inflation on the cost of sales, working capital and depreciation, but that historic cost balance sheets should be kept for the time being with an account to reconcile the adjusted profit and loss figures.

Mr Graham Stacy, technical partner of Price Waterhouse, believed that all companies should use published indices for asset revaluation. Morpeth allows more subjective judg-

The views of the Midland group, although far from unanimous, are broadly that Morpath should be radically simplified with adjustments to the profit and loss account as a starting point, so all companies could come in together, not large companies first.

Mr Douglas Morpeth, chairman of the steering committee, said: "I have been going round the country asking for submis-sions to be sent in. We will weigh them very carefully and acting see what changes need to be

He did not see, however, how an historic belance sheet could be reconciled with an inflation-adjusted profit and loss

Qatar completes Shell offshoot takeover

The Qutar Government took over the Shell Company of Qatar yesterday in a move which completes its takeover of technology, ranging from solar energy to coal gasification and shale oil. Any company could be active in these areas in addition to its involvement in all oil and gas operations in the Gulf State, officials announced.

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Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied yesterday by Barclays Bank International Ltd. Different rates aunly to travellers' cheques and other

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Europe accepts Tokyo offer on ships

European governments have accepted Japan's offer to take action aimed at meeting Euro-pean demands for a fairer share of the world shipbuilding market. EEC and non-EEC delegates

to the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development's working party on shipbuilding in Paris, yesterday reached broad agreement on the acceptability of Japan's consiliators, pastlage conciliatory package.

This will involve Japan's in-

creasing the export prices of ships and, where necessary, restricting sales, particularly to hard-hit countries. But there are reservations on the mechanics and targets

By Michael Baily Shipping Correspondent

Ellerman Shipping Group

yesterday placed an £8m order

for two cellular container ships

with the Appledors yard in North Devon with an option on

North Devon with an option on a further four worth nearly £20m. The order comes soon after the Prime Minister's appeal for British ship orders. The order was won in straight competition with German, Japanese and Scandinavian yards on what was described yesterday as the best "on price and delivery". The latter of intent signed yesterday calls for

plans \$300m

The Royal Dutch/Shell Group

is considering a private place-ment in the Eurobond market

of up to \$300m, which would make it the largest corporate bond issue floated internation-

Sources said the issue will be made by a Royal Dutch Shell subsidiary in the form of 10-

year bonds with an indicated annual coupon rate of 7.75 per cent and a price around par.

The placement will be man-

aged by the big three Swiss banks, Swiss Bank Corporation,

Union Bank of Switzerland and Credit Suisse, sources said.

However, an executive at Union Bank of Switzerland (Securities) said no final decision had yet been made concerning the terms and, therefore, he could not discuss the offering. His bank would not be

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By Edward Townsend

dumping duties.

Importers of large dumper

trucks from Russia have agreed

to a substantial increase in

prices, understood in the case

of one model to amount to at

least £10,000, to avoid anti-

The decision follows the end-

ing of a 16-month investigation by the Department of Trade

into complaints from British

menufacturers about Russian

prices. The department said yesterday that it was satisfied

the machines were being dumped and that material

manager.

bond issue

under the Japanese plan, which will run for two years to the end of next year.

European delegates were dissatisfied with a number of replies they received from the Japanese delegates, but one European negotiator said after the session that the package represented "a very useful and very welcome proposal".

The two sides are to meet again today to complete a draft statement on the outcome of

statement on the outcome of the latest discussions. Next week further talks will take place between European offi-cials, and the issue will almost certainly be raised at next

and August next year.
The 300-container 141-knot ships will be used in expanded

Ellerman services to the eastern Mediterranean, Middle East and

Doxford engine builders, on

the north-east coast, gain with their new 5,000 hp engine which will be used for the first time.

A slow-speed unit with only three cylinders, it costs about a fifth more than the typical 8-10

cylinder medium-speed engine for this class of ship, but lower fuel and maintenance costs are expected to recoup this within

A referendum among insur-ance brokers over establishing the Insurance Brokers Registra-tion Council was firmly re-jected by the Government yes-

terday.
Setting up the council is proposed in the Insurance Brokers (Registration) Bill, which pro-

vides for registering brokers and regulating their profes-sional standards.

When the Commons standing committee stage of the Bill began yesterday discussion centred on the subject of consultation. Mr Roger Moate, Conservative MP for Faversham, proposed that Mr Dell, Secretary of State for Trade, in consultation with the British Insurance Association, should establish a record of brokers and then conduct a referendum on establishing the council.

on establishing the council. Consultation was vital,

Price increase on 'dumped' trucks

The complaints, which came from about five British manu-

facturers, concerned the prices of 30-tonne and 15-tonne Russian

trucks of the type used for off-road operations such as

earthmoving and quarrying.

Differing specifications and
the specialized nature of such

machines prompted the depart-

ment to seek independent assess-

ments and the inquiry became the department's longest stand-ing anti-dumping investigation. The manufacturers claimed.

that the larger model was being

sold at prices well below those of home-produced vehicles, which could cost between

placement | Moate said. The Bill could de-

referendum rejected

prive people of their freedom tion at the report stage.

as the importers observed an undertaking to revise prices to eliminate the margins of dumping that were found.

£50,000 and £70,000 and about 25 per cent lower in the case of a smaller rock.

The Russian prices were

Royal Dutch Insurance brokers

month's meeting of the Council tion among of Ministers in Brussels.

Earlier Mr Muneto Shashiki, short of work.

the chief Japanese delegate to the conference, said: "Some people may say the offer is not sufficient and that it may not give 100 per cent satisfaction to European countries. But at the present time it is the maximum amount of effort that the Japanese government can make. "I hope the programme can be implemented as soon as possible, and I am convinced that other countries understand

our efforts

The main aim of the Europeans has been to achieve a means of freeing some of the orders taken by Japanese yards in recent months, for competition among European shipbuilders who are desperately short of work.

Mr Jim Venus, Appledore chairman, said at a London press conference last night that

press conference last night that they were "very excited" about the 4,300-ton ship of advanced design with its Doxford engines, which could turn out to be a world best seller. The fixed price negotiated with Ellerman—no owner would accept escalation in the present market—should yield a reasonable profit to the state-owned yard, Mr Venus added.

Commenting on the order Mr

Commenting on the order Mr David Lloyd, Ellerman director, said: "We wanted to purchase the most cost effective units we

brokers.
Although the British Insur

had been consultation.
Mr Moate withdrew his
If necessary he

The Russian prices were increased last month, but in line with the undertaking will now be raised again.

The Department of Trade clearly believes the under-

taking to be preferable to the imposition of duty as it meets the demands of the British industry while hopefully doing little damage to Anglo-Soviet

trade relations.
Umoplant, the Russian organization in Britain which

sells the trucks, said yesterday it still did not consider that

its prices constituted dumping particularly as, in the case of the 30-tonne truck, it had sold only four in Britain last year.

The effectiveness of the Japanese package will be monitored through the OECD by mechanisms which will reveal where orders are going for the next few months. The hope is that this short-term package will form the basis of a longer-

There are some difficulties, however. The EEC is not happy about Japan's negotiating ship sales restrictions to countries on a bilateral basis, and wants any talks to take place through the Community. the Community.

And although Japan has rejected 50-50 sharing of new

orders, the Europeans want to ensure a more equitable sharing, which the Japanese measures

Ellerman places £8m order with UK yard

dore coupled with the Doxford engine in open international competition as best able to satisfy our criteria.
"It has been and continues to be Ellerman policy to build, when commercially practicable, in the United Kingdom, and we are delighted that this order has gone to a British yard."

Together with orders for roll-on and container ships ou the north-east coast and in Northern Ireland the new contract brings to nearly £30m the value of Ellerman orders with British yards, with a further £20m in prospect.

Disruption mounts at Leyland

By R. W. Shakespeare
British Leyland is facing its
worst disruption for months.
Three of its main Midlands car Although the British Insurance Brokers Council said 9,000
people were calling themselves
brokers only 3,000 were members of the four organizations
represented by the BIBC.

Mr John Page, Conservative
MP for Harrow, West and the
Bill's main sponsor, said members of the BIBC represented
95 per cent of the total premium income of the British insurance market handled by
brokers assembly areas are already at a standstill, a fourth is being progressively run down and its cen-tral bodymaking factory has helted. Some 11,000 workers are

The main trouble stems from a strike by 1,300 workers at the Castle Bromwich bodymaking plant, where another 2,000 men are laid off. This plant supplies body shells to most of Lay-

brokers

Mr Clinton Davis, Under Secretary for Trade, said the amendment was unnecessary. There already was a safeguard that the Secretary of State would not bring the Bill into effect until he was satisfied there had been proper land's car assembly areas
throughout the Midlands.
Already Jaguar output at
Coventry has been halted and
1,300 laid off. Mini assembly ar Longbridge has also stopped and another 2,000 workers made

At the Rover plant at Solibull 300 men had to be laid off the new 3,500 model. The trouble at Castle Bromwich centres on reorganization plans for Leyland's bodymaking and paint shop plents. This involves moving some skilled workers to new jobs.

Leyland's other trouble centre is Coventry where the Triumph car plant is at a standstill with 3,300 workers laid off because of the continuing strike by 350 paint shop workers who are protesting about the manage-ment's use of industrial engineers on work study exercises in

their department.
At Cowley, Oxford, another
650 are idle at Leyland's spares
department because of a strike Ford threat eases: At Ford's Dagenham works toolmakers yesterday withdrew a threat to strike from Monday. A union spokesman said that manage-ment had agreed to meet an engineering union official and shop stewards in London on February 21. The toolmakers want higher pay for the job.

Nube denies reveal bank secrets

By Christopher Thomas

Controversy over confidentiaers led yesterday to an empha-tic demal by the National Union of Bank Employees (Nube) that it wants informaauthorities about customers affairs,

Mr Leif Mills, Nube general secretary, said: "It is not our policy to make bank managers or any other bank staff betray or any other bank start betray their customers. But as a responsible union we want to encourage public debate on issues of concern such as tax liability, tax evasion, and tax avoidance."

He emphasized that the union was not seeking a change in company legislation to compel bank managers to divulge accrets or confidences acquired in the pursuit of busi-

"A bank manager will obviously respect all things said to him by customers. A number of managers have said to us over the years that in a small minority of cases it might appear that customers' would take advantage of that confidentiality, and they have wondered what was their post-

"The union position is that the banks must respect their customers' confidentiality. Nevertheless, it is a point worthy of public discussion. The Chencellor himself raised the issue in last year's debate on the Finance Act."

The issue arose through a letter to The Times from Mr Bill Vose, assistant secretary of Nube, the contents of which had been distorted by other newspapers, the union claimed vesterday.

Mr Vose said in the letter that the banker's duty of sec-recy was crucial in upholding the highest tradition of bank-ing, "but a number of union members are becoming increasingly aware that they are sometimes forced to become custodians of information which indicates tax evasion on the part of a customer ".

Mr Mills said yesterday: "We were simply pointing out that the union rejected the confidentiality argument of the minority report of the Bullock inquiry into industrial democracy, and we went on to say that there was another aspect of confidentiality that deserved public debate. public debate.

"Bankers have no wish to break the traditional banker/ customer relationship, and neither has the union. But it is a point worthy of discussion as to what a bank manager should do when he knows that a customer might deliberately. be evading tax liabilities. We have no fixed view on this, by it ought to be discussed banking, in the union, and in the TUC."

Mr Mills said the degree to which "our honest query" har

aroused accusations of spying and being informants was indicative of the emotion a attitudes surrounding the issue. The affair had been exaggerated in some newpaper accounts. The issue was discussed at

the Nube executive meeting yesterday, when it was emphasized that there was no attempt to change the traditional loyalty of banks to the

The Board has declared an interim dividend of 1.98p per

interim dividend of 1.98p per share (half the present permitted maximum for the year) amounting to £1.121,262 which compares with 1.8p per share (£1,011,172) last year after adjusting for the one for two capitalisation issue. The interim dividend will be paid on 31st March, 1977 to all shareholders registered at the close of business on 25th February, 1977.

TURNOVER U.K.

(Note 1) (Margin)

Overseas and export

TRADING PROFIT

PROFIT BEFORE TAX
Tax (including U.K.
Corporation tax at 52%)

PROFIT AFTER TAX Extraordinary items

PROFIT AFTER TAX AND EXTRAORDINARY ITEMS Dividends

RETAINED PROFIT

1976/77

45,556 21,725

67,291

8,732 (13.0%) 157

4.361

4,250

7,343

Injury was being caused to the British industry. It added, however, that no duty would be imposed as long In brief

Plessey awarded £843,000 development grants

By Kenneth Owen Technology Correspondent Grants amounting to £843,000 are being made by the Depart-ment of Industry to Plessey Numerical Controls of Poole, Dorser, for the development of new products over the next five

The money will be used to accelerate the development of numerical control equipment based on the company "RUSC" system of microprocessor con-

This system which was announced a year ago is designed to automate the operation and increase the productivity of machine tools. It uses two separate units: a "loader/editor" or programming terminal; and a controller which is used to set up the machine tool.
Since its introduction, Plessey reports, the new concept has been applied to a range of industrial and machine applications which previously had not been tackled by electronic control. controL

Industries using the equip-ment include those of cars, glass, aerospace and steel. Machine types include mills, drills, lathes, routers, grinding machines, pipe benders, glass cutters, frame benders, screw cutters, crane controls, hoist controls, blast furnace robots, plate benders and welding machines.

Plessey Numerical Controls now claims to be the largest indigenous European supplier of numerical control systems. Racal and Applied Digital in Milgo talks New York, Feb 9.—Racal Electronics confirmed today

that exploratory discussions had

been held between representa-

tives of Racal and Applied Digital Data Systems over their respective holdings in Milgo

However, it said no agreements or understandings had been reached over the future of Milgo for which Racal and Applied Digital are battling for control. Racal said that several alternative possibilities were discussed in a preliminary

One was the purchase by Racal of Applied Digital's hold-ings in Milgo amounting to 47 per cent of the Milgo equity.
Another possibility was the tendering to Applied Digital by Racal of its Milgo shares, totaling 45 per cent of Milgo.—APDow Jones.

£87m sought in state aid for machine tools The Government's reorga-nized machine tool aid scheme is attracting more interest from

manufacturers, the Department of Industry reported vesterday. By the end of January the num-ber of applications approved or under consideration had risen from 52 to 149. Applications came from 92 machine tool companies and 49 toolmaking companies. They cover projects worth £87m.

Workers blamed for closure of company

Some 400 workers are to lose their jobs at Wolverhampton with the closure of a 300-year-old company, James Gibbons Limited. Employees have been given three months' notice. The company blames the decision on a deadlock in a discute with white-collar workers over a rage discute.

Bonn earmarks DM4,000m for spending projects From Peter Norman Bonn, Feb 9

The West German Government intends that orders worth between DM3,000m (£750m) and DM4,000m should be placed this year as part of the public sector infrastructure investment programme now being drawn up in Bonn. Dr Hans Friderichs, economics minister, and Dr Hans Apel, the finance minister, today gave the Cabinet an

interim report on the pro-gramme. It will be discussed

gramme. It will be discussed by Chancellor Helmut Schmidt with the prime ministers of the various German Länder on Friday and is scheduled to receive its final Cabinet blessing at the end of March.

Dr Armin Grünewald, the West German Government spokesman, said the Bonn Government sees a three-stage financing of the programme. Part would come from the Federal Government, part on a 50-50 basis with the Länder while the third and smallest portion would be financed jointly by the Länder and local authorities. The necessary funds would be raised on the capital would be raised on the capital Dr Grünewald said the

Government intended to operate the programme in a flexible manner by reacting to possible changes in the economy.
Accordingly, there is no firm
spending plan for 1978 and
subsequent years, although it is
still assumed that the programme will total a maximum of DM10,000m to DM12,000m and not extend beyond the present legislative period, which ends in December, 1980. In drawing up the pro-gramme, government officials have been instructed to concen-

trate on invocaments that will

burdens.

ret irrolve subsequent cost

DOWTY GROUP LIMITED Interim Statement-Half-year to 30th September, 1976

The unaudited results for the half-year to 30th September last are shown below together with comparative figures for last year.

Trading profits increased by level of sales and profit will be the sales and profit will b comparative figures for last year.
Trading profits increased by
35% over the first half of last
year reflecting both increased
turnover and better margins to
which all divisions contributed.
This improvement includes the
effect of the change of basis in
accounting for stock in accordance with the Statement of Standard Accounting Practice No. 9 of
the Accounting Standards Committee (see Note 1). The results
of the hydraulic seals and industrial hydraulics division reflect a 1975/76

Half year to	Half year to 31st March	TOTAL
30th Sept.		
£*000	E'000	£'000
38,976	43,847	92,573
20,097	18,894	38,991
59.073	62,741	121,814
6,445	7.088	13.533
(10.9%)	(11.3%)	(11.1° _a)
293	104	397
6,152	6,984	13,136
3,172	3,937	7,109
2,980	3,047	6,027
	533	233
2,980 1,011	9,500 1,015	6,550 2,026
1,969	2,565	4,534

Earnings per share (basic) (Note 3) 5.4p 10.7p NOTES
1. Including £550,000 being the estimated effect for the period of the adoption of a revised basis of stock valuation in accordance with \$5AP9.

Estimated effect of the change of basis in accordance with SSAP9 on the valuation of stock and work-in-progress at 1st April, 1976. 1976 figure related to exchange rate adjustments. Adjusted for capitalisation issue of one for two in October, 1976.



DOWTY Cheltenham, England By Malcolm Brown
The Government is expected to come under increasing pressure from the Jewish business community in Britain over the next few weeks to take a stronger line over the Arab boycott of Israel.

Businessmen and MPs connected with Israel now admit that the boycott is doing considerable harm to Israel-British trade and want the Government to emulate President Carter, who has said he favours federal Jaws to prevent Arab Boycott Offices exerting pressure on American companies.

The latest burst of activity was triggered last week when it was disclosed that the Metal Box Co was considering pulling out of a profitable Israe investment after Arab threats to several of its major customers. Metal Box is already on the Arab blacklist. The matter has now been

example of the boycott which has come to light after the refusal of a British firm to do business with Israel's largest company because of its contacts with armed forces of the Middle East.

According to a letter now being examined by MPs, Benjamin Edgington (Sidcup), a subsidiary of the Black & Edgington group which also controls the Blacks of Greenock retail stores, has told the Koor Group in Tel Aviv that it can-not fill a small order for tents because of its Arab business. In a letter to Koor a director of the company notes the order but adds: "We must point out, however, that each year we regularly supply in contract quantities of heavy tentage of the type you briefly describe

Secretary of State for Trade.

Secretary of State for Trade.

Mr. Dell is also likely to have drawn to his attention another example of the harmanic such productions. country.

Yesterday Mr E. G. Wilcox, a director of Benjamin Edging-ton, said: "As far as we are concerned we do a tremendous trade with the Arab countries, with defence forces and the like, and as such we know and have been informed in the past when I've been abroad, that we are not allowed to deal with

The company would like to trade with everybody, he added, The Jewish businessmen who been angered by this affair are concerned by the principle involved—that British companies should be obliged to sign contracts with Arab countries which contain clauses specifically precluding trade with

Tory attacks embarrass CBI

Consumption

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Stockbuilding Year 1977

Exports

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Private investment Inc.

housebuilding Public investment inc.

Public authorities con-

Gross domestic pro-

Balance of payments

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housebuilding

Industrialists and the Confederation of British Industry who are cooperating with the TUC and the Government on industrial strategy work are being embarrassed by attacks on their work from the Conserva-

tive opposition. The most recent criticism comes from Mr David Howell, MP, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs. He said at a business-

Better trend

foreseen in UK

A much stronger improve-

ment in the current account of

Britain's balance of payments

is now seen by several economic

forecasters for 1977 than was being predicted in the closing

Four of the forecasts in the

accompanying table now place the current account deficit at between £500m and £800m, although the National Institute

is expecting a surplus of over £1,000m.

rise by between 6 and 9 per

cent, while the growth in imports falls in the 2 to 5 per

cent range. Only Henley and

Hoare, Govern see consumption rising at all this year. The

other forecasters expect a fall of about 0.5 per cent. Growth is fairly uniformly placed at

There is also much agreement

about the extent of the fall in

public investment, but there is

a greater divergence over pri-vate investment. The range of

prediction for inflation in 1977

is quite narrow—at between 12½ and 14½ per cent.

around 2 per cent.

Exports are broadly shown to

payments gap

months of last year.

Thames yesterday that the ceaseless preoccupation with tripartite strategy for industrial renaissance did not connect with the real world.

The industrial strategy he claimed was silent on smaller scale enterprise.
The Prime Minister in reporting back to Parliament on the recent National Economic Deve-

lopment Council meeting made no mention of small enterprise, nothing mu-medium-sized businesses, or pened in the partnerships and the self renaissance."

employed. These offered the best prospects for job opportunities in the months ahead. He went on: "The only voice that was heard at this Neddy gathering which seemed to relate at all to the real world was that of Sir Charles Villiers,

who pointed out, as he had done before, that industry consists of people and that unless people are motivated and encouraged nothing much will have happened in the way of industrial

FORECASTS FOR THE BRITISH ECONOMY

0.7

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All forecasts are in constant prices, essembly adjusted and at annual rates. The stockholding and balance of payments forecasts in the second half 1977/second half 1978 section are forecasts for the second half of 1977 multiplied by two. Stockholding is in 1970 prices. The forecasts by the Tressury, the NIESR and LBS are based on the assumption of unchanged policies. The forecasts by H, HG and PAD assume changes in policy, For details readers should refer to original sources. Categories in different forecasts are not completely comparable, but differences are minor. Differences in result also reflect difference in assumptions, model constructions and date at which work performed. The month in which work was published is given in brackets. Forecasts published by the Treasury twice yearly; NIESR, four times a year; LBS, three times a year; H, HG and P&D revise their forecasts every month.

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National Institute of Economic and Social Research

Hoare Govett, as provided by dataSTREAM

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Henley Centre

For 1977-78 given in Letter of Intent to the IMF

Fourth qtr. 1977 on fourth qtr. 1976

Hostels group among most profitable of hotel companies

Rowton Hotels, operators of is one of Britain's most profitable hotel companies, according to an industry survey issued yesterday, while luxury groups like Rank Hotels, groups like Rank Hotels, Strand and The Ritz came bottom of the list.

The survey, compiled by Jordan Dataquest, compares the profit-to-sales ratio of 50 hotel companies of various types.

For Rowton Hotels, it shows profits on a turnover of \$2,800,000 giving a profit-to-sales percentage of 18.88 second on the list. Number one is the York Hotel Limited, a small family-owned-and-run concern with three hotels and a turnover of £258,000, giving a ratio of 26.74 per cent. Third is Pontin's, the holiday camp operators, with a turn-

This compares with a figure of minus 42.55 per cent for Rank's loss-making hotels, which come bottom of the list, minus 17 per cent for Strand Hotels and minus 16.5 per cent

of over Elm and a ratio

Explaining his relative success, Harris, company secretary of Rowton Hotels, said that rival companies were paying heavy interest rates on borrowings. In addition, the league table shows trading profits only. It does not take into account the

2nd half 1977/2nd half 1976

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1.000**

NIESA (Nov)

-0.6

Founded in 1894 specifically to provide cheap hostel accom modation, Rowton today run cluding the giant 1,000-bed Arlington House hostel at Camden Town, North-west London.

Prices are low, at £6.75 per person per week, compared with £10 per night reckoned to be an average hotel room cost.

They have high occupancy levels with waiting lists in some cases. Catering and other staff costs are pared to a mini-

The more expensive hotels have been badly hit by rising wage costs, which typically amount to over one-third of sales turnover. Sixed in more popular areas, they have also been more affected by recent substantial rises in local authority rates.

During the past 10 years Rowton has switched to hotels. and now runs four, including the 550-bed Mount Pleasant Hotel near King's Cross, Lon don, and the London Park at

Elephant and Castle.
The three London hotels which cater mainly for over-seas package holidaymakers are converted hostels. But the fourth and most recent one, opened at Sudbury Suffolk in opened at Sudbury. Suffolk in 1973 in a converted mill, is in a higher price bracket. All eight establishments are trad-ing profitably.

In brief

Downtrend in housing accelerates

Further evidence of the depressed levels of activity in the housebuilding sector came yesterday from the Department of the Environment, which revealed that starts in 1976 were 326,000. While the year's total was 2,300 up on 1975, the adjusted trend shows that activity in the sector was losing impetus throughout the year In fact, housing starts in the quarter were almost a third lower than in the first three months of the year. In the public sector starts fell to 171,000, a 2,600 decline on the previous year.

Tax benefits urged for small businesses

Tax changes to benefit small ousinesses are urged by the Association of Independent Businesses in its Budget recommendations sent yesterday to the Chancellor. Many more jobs depended on their being given more encouragement, Mr Colin Dauris, Association chairman commented on the association's

Suggestions included raising from £5,000 to £10,000 a year point in turnover below which a company should be exempt from registering for value-added tax purposes. Close companies should be allowed ander certain conditions to pay at 10 per cent below the cur-rent rate of corporation tax, and small companies allowed to have an investment fund in which to set aside up to 20 per cent of profits without incurring

German ICI cutback

Deutsche ICI GmbH, the West German subsidiary of ICI, plans to dismiss more than half the workforce at its fibre plant in the German town of Offenbach in the state of Rhineland Palatinate, because of world over-capacity in non-woven fibres. The company said that up to 400 of the 700 workforce would leave this year.

Standard-Italy oil pact Montedison, Italy's largest chemical concern, has signed an agreement with Standard Oil of California through which the Italian group will get "substan-tial" amounts of Saudi Arabian oil this year.

New North Sea exploration błocks awarded

consumption.

Sir, The recent increases in the price of tea hopefully enhance the chances of success for the preliminary talks about an international Tea Agreement to be held in London this month. Tea is a vital commodity for the economies of some of the

Relating wages to prices

on the tea estates

poorest countries in the world and accounts for nearly half the foreign exchange earnings of Sri Lanka, for example. It is a classic case of cash crop dependence established under British colonialism.

We calculate that in "real" terms the price of tea at the auctions, even allowing for improvements in 1976, is half what it was 15 years ago. Consumer response to price rises in the shops (largely attributable to the devalued pound and the removal of the government subsidy) confirms that tea is still a cheap buy, especially when compared with the huge increases in coffee prices.
With the market at last mov-

ing in the right direction the danger is that East African producers will feel an agreement is superflous although better prices may simply encourage expansion of tea acreage again and lead once more to overproduction. We believe agreement should inv lieve an involve higher and more stable prices, some restriction of exports, probably carough quotas, and for India and Sri Lanka, finance

From Mr John Tanner and diversification into the production of food crops for local

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Tea estates in India are now generally profitable and British owned companies more than doubled their profits from 134m in 1970 to £7}m in 1974. Yet, as in Sri Lanka where the government is unable to do much at present to improve the lot Tamil tea pickers, it is not at all clear that wages and conditions for estate workers have improved commensurately with profitability.

In response to proposals by Third World leaders at Unctad 4 for a new international ecoment pledged itself to work for a significant number of commodity agreements in order to promote fairer trade with developing countries. One hopes Government ministers will do all they can to fulfil the commitment in this instance and will bring some influence and pressure to bear on the Sri Lanka Government and on British based companies, to see that wages on the estates fully reflect higher tea prices.

Yours faithfully, JOHN TANNER, World Development Movement, Bedford Chambers, Covent Garden, London WC2. JOHN HASTINGS. Methodist Church Responsibility Division. JUDITH HART. from the Common Fund for

Publicizing industry's attractions as a career for the young

From Mr John Stokes Sir, Mr Rodney Exton (letter, February 8) refers to "the com-

munication barrier between the academic world and the world of industry", I certainly think his proposal of work experience for selected school leavers would help, but the problem is, in my view, largely caused by industry not being either forthright or articulate anough about itself. So often the case for a default—either at school or university—simply because not enough successful industrialists spare the time to talk about what life is actually like in

We hear industry condemned by the left-wing and despized by the intelligentsia; we hear management constantly deni-grated by the trade unions; but when do we bear (or better still see on television) our leaders of industry telling us about its

cope and attractions? I suspect this is partly because they are very busy and partly because funlike trade unionists and dons) the are seldom trained to speak in public. Personal influence can be

very great—we know that from pop stars or footballers—and I am sure if only some of our most successful capitalists and industrialists would speak up a little more many young men and women would want to follow them for a rewarding career in industry. In England's great days the Navy used to be the silear service (but never lacked recruits): industry today must cease to be silent if it wants a reasonable share of the nation's young talent. Perhaps the CBI could ponder this. Yours faithfully, JOHN STOKES London, SW1.

Japanese electronics investment

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From Mr. J. P. Scott Sir, I am surprise enthusiasm you shot mere £20m that th ment is intending to the electronics indust thinly over a wide projects (Business N ruary 2). This as money is barely enor one new project research to produc comparison with Japa ing. In the area of integrated circuits (Japanese government tributing 40 per co-industrial consortiu spend 70 (£140m) over the

years on research alo This has led to benefit of five working together. Th little doubt that the tention of the Japan. ment to have an elec dustry, backed up by support, has helped panies involved to and form a consorti than compete aga other in the costly research and develor Yours faithfully, J. P. SCOTT, 33 Surrenden Crescer

Brighton Sussex BN1 6WE.

Guaranteei cheques by Barclaycard From the Rev B. J. ..

Sir, Shopkeepers ar to accept a cheque wi guarantee. Although licence sometimes banker's card seems apply for a Barcla restricting its use guaranteeing. My is refused. No full account, no cheque running into debt wi facility, using my ch places me in the suppliant assumed to lent until the shop persuaded of n ticity.
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readers (without cre driving licence ever vised a way round Catch-22, to presen with ease and elan. RICHARD KINGSBI The Vicerage, Hungerford.

Financial independence for Scotland

From Mr Terry Burns and Mr P. M. Oppenheimer

Sir, According to Peter Jay a devaluation of the Scottish (February 3), "the decisive argument for financial inde-pendence for Scotland . . . nas always been the need to break our of the (£1—£Scots1) trap." With freedom to let their exchange rate vis-à-vis England move, the Scots would, he argues, be able to offset their higher labour costs per unit of output, and so quickly reach full employment. Almost in the same breath, however, Mr Jay also states that "fiscal and monetary policies, except in the short term, determine nothing except the future rate of inflation.

mutually incompatible. If, say, pound succeeds in lowering the relative level of Scottish init labour costs, then these wages) must be subject to a measure of inflexibility, allow-ing the exchange rate to affect real wages; if this were not so, money wages would merely adjust themselves in proporion to the devaluation, leaving,
the country's international
companielyeness unchanged. But if money wages are thus partially inflexible, then, by the same token, monetary and fiscal policy will have effect on variables other the rate of infilation

like monetary policy erless in today's erless in today's affect the level of e sulate Scotland from inflation. Mr Jay c it both ways. Yours faithfully. TERRY BURNS, P. M. OPPENHEIME London Graduate Business Studies. Sussex Place, Regent's Park, London NW1 4SA.

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ALCAN ALUMINIUM (U.K.) LIMITED

Summary of Results

	£million	£ mill
Sales	227.3	15
Trading Profit	19.8	
Profit before Taxation	10.0	(5
Profit attributable to Ordinary Shareholders Funds generated from operations Average Capital employed	26 21.0 154.6	(2 13
Pre-Tax Return on capital employed (unlevered and excluding exceptional items) Earnings per £1 Ordinary Share Number of employees at year end	12.8% 7.6p 9022	1. (8.6 81

1976 was a year of gradual but progressive improvement after the di recession of 1975. Costs rose rapidly due to high domestic inflation : "... the impact of sterling devaluation on the cost of imported raw materi Direct exports reached £40m, more than double those of 1975. A s stantial programme to improve the reliability and productive capability: the factories has commenced and capital expenditure in 1977 is expecito be £12m. Revaluation of land and buildings gave rise to a surplution £21.6m which has been credited to reserves. The Company comment 1977 with a satisfactory order book.

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CONSOLIDATED AND CONDENSED COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF CONDITION IN MILLIONS OF U.S. DOLLARS

Assets	31.12.73	31.12.74	31,12.75	31,12,76
Cash and due from banks	682.9	1,021.0	1,142.0	1,344.7
Loans	14,870.3	20,856.9	26,166.8	31,932.4
Securities	285.2	338.7	429.7	506.9
Bank premises and equipm	ent 292.1	356.6	373.4	370,3
Other assets	499.5	663.2	1,094.4	4,772.4
TOTAL ASSETS	16,630.0	23,236.4	29,206.3	38,926.7
Liabilities				
Deposits	10,872.7	15,007.8	17,537.7	23,226.3
Demand	6,485.7	8,183.2	9,129.6	9,839.7
Time	4,387.0	6,824.6	8.408.1	13,386.6
Funds borrowed	781.9	1,147.8	1,367.4	1,504.0
Funds for refinancing	2,524.7	3,301.6	5,882.5	8,014.0
Other liabilities	1,296.8	2,070.2	1,961.2	3,493.8
Capital and reserves	1,153.9	1,709.0	2,457.5	2,688.6
TOTAL LIABILITIES	16,630.0	23,236.4	29,206.3	38,926.7

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

THF back on a growth tack

per cent increase to in Trust House Forte's ear profits is more than in the pan. A much if the pan. A much if balance sheet with the gof the Swiss franc loan, illy understandable set of and booming occupancy and to mention the notes. not to mention the poten-the £27.5m deal to buy Lyons hotel interests, keep THF as a potential market favourite.

United States has seen thotel season since 1968 ing Travelodge where ncy rates averaged 70 per s they did in United m hotels outside London 5 per cent up on the

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lies in the prospect of up in profits in the first ccupancy rates in the Kingdom particularly nrinued to be high and int interim profit last ald well be doubled. h tax charge of 54 per pparently non-recurring ntions in the current il be bigher and not by the currency rets of previous years. forth noting, however, ations would have been 3m to a mere £900,000

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Sir Charles Forte, chief execuof Trust Houses Forte:
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boosted profits.

criteria for judging applicants, rumoured newcomers to the North Sea scene attracted by the pot of gold others have already found appear to have found an unsympathetic hearing with the Department of the

Environment:
So much for the negative side,
More positively, it is clear that
it is the major oil groups—BP,
Shell and Esso—and the prominent second line companies like
Thomson. Tricentrol and Associated Newspapers who have already come good in the North Sea who have got the biggest

Sea who have got the biggest bites at this latest cherry.

In the run-up to the fifth round, most interest has been shown in quadrant 14 in the Moray Firth next door to the Claymore field and near the Forties pipeline. On those grounds Tricentrol's licence for block 14/16 and 17 (with Charter Consolidated also having a stake in the consortium) ing a stake in the consortium) books especially attractive.

BP, 100, also looks by and large to have secured good acreage though perhaps surpris-ingly it has not gone for the block just north of its Magus

Following its promising Mesa find just off the Scottish coast, there is likely to be further interest in P & O which has been awarded block 13/13 some 50 miles to the north east and bordering on the Claymore field. Thomson, too, has obtained another block in quadrant 14 adjoining Claymore and claym given its experience already they must be feeling confident. Associated Newspapers has also secured two half-blocks near its

existing discoveries.

Meanwhile, stockbroker Rowe
Rudd's fifth North Sea oil
review does nothing to dampen
enthusiasm for the North Sea
particularly as the oil benefits are now just around the corner and it is thus that much easier to gauge the benefits for the

Further indications that the Government should be well within the official PSBR target for 1976/77 came as little sur-prise to the gilt market yester-day. Indeed, the main day. Indeed, the main preoccupation at the moment is the progress towards arriving at

the progress towards arriving at the formula for the next stage of pay policy.

While that is likely to continue to make for greater uncertainty over the next few weeks, the short-end of the market has remained firm and there still appears to be enough latent bullishness about to make the £50m Finance For Industry 14 per cent loan stock issue a considerable draw for the

"stags".

The attraction is twofold—a good two point yield advantage over a comparable gilt at the issue price of 1991 per cent and the fact that the stock is only £10 per cent payable on application (with calls of £30 and £59½ falling on March 14 and May 3 respectively). continued favourable outlook for oil, Rowe Rudd expect oil shares to go on outperforming the rest of the equity market. Their specific recommenda-tions are BP, Tricentral, P & O and Associated Newspapers

Provident/Cattle's Not good

enough Cattle's main defence against the unwelcome 32p a share bid from rival check trader Provident Financial—a pro-mised dividend increase of more than 160 per cent—was enough to move its shares up a further 31p to 381p

Here they stand on a prospective yield of 10 per cent and prospective p/e ratio of something over nine, so Provi-dent, which bought its 26 per cent stake at some 56p a share during 1972 and 1973, will

almost certainly have to improve its offer quite considerably to win this one.

Meanwhile, Cattle's dividend increase should itself justify Provident's offer expenses increasing the prospective dividend income on its existing dend income on its existing stake from £52,000 to over

Market analysis Introducing

The Reverse Yield Gap has been a factor in judging equity values for a couple of decades, and yet there have been few attempts to quantify the relationship between share and gilt prices beyond the simplistic view that the wider the gap, the lower the jurification for buing equities. Stockbrokers Wood, Mackeuzie, attempting to quantify this relationship, have come up with an interest-ing model of market reactions to changing interest rates and inflation expectations.

Taking the basic actuarial assumption that equities are bought for their expected income growth as well as their current yield and that the expected growth added to the current return will match long term assumptions about the rate of inflation (which can be gauged over time by looking at long-dated gilt yields). Wood, Mackenzie puts the idea that this combined rate of return set against the returns on long dated silts will show a new factor. This it describes as the Equity Risk Premium.

This Equity Risk Premium, expressed as a percentage of the yield on 24 per cent companies concerned. With the Consols, reflects the market's confidence, or lack of confidence in the ability of equities as against gilts to keep pace with inflation, now and in the future. The higher the ERP the lower the level of confi-dence, since the ERP is the differential between expected equity returns, both now and in the future, and the current Consol yields.

In practice, by charting this ERP ratio since the mid-1960s will show that the premium remained low until late in 1973, shot to 70 per cent as confi-dence coollapsed in the following year, and has since settled down again to around 22 per

At that level, which is close to the median for its records since the 1960s, WM argue that the current Reverse Yield Gap is less daunting a block on equity performance than it appears. The underlying confidence in equities ability to keep pace with inflation in the long run has not, on the ERP valuation, been shaken.

Isiness Diary: Caveat emptor? • Solomon and Uncle Sam

Christopher Wilkins

How long before the power plant makers run out of steam?

Trade union leaders in the engineering industry will be meeting in York today to discuss what their joint artitude should be towards the radical merger proposals put forward last December in a report of the power. cember in a report on the power plant manufacturing industry by the Central Policy Review Staff (the Think Tank).

They are likely to come out in opposition. Last Friday Mr Veriey, 'the Secretary L. State, for Industry, was told privately by the unions that they would be against the suggested rationalization of the industry into one turbine-generator producer and one boiler-maker.

The unions' attitude could be of vital importance. The Government, evidently believing the industry's problems to be so dire as to require an urgent response, has acted with un-familiar speed in approving the report's five main proposals for putting the industry back on to its feet. The Central Electricity Generating Board has also mad significant concession—albeit with some reluctance—agreeing to a regular annual ordering programme for new power startions starting in 1979.

But a prime Think Tank principle was that the various measures of government and CEGB belo for the industry (the bringing forward of the Drax Stage 11 station, support Drax Stage 11 station, support for exports, a steady ordering programme and a big new prototype high speed turbine generator) should be conditional upon mergers in the nidustry being accepted by both management and labour. Four companies are concerned, GEC and Reyrolle Parsons as turbine generator manufacturers, and Babcock & Wilcox and Clarke Chapman as boiler-makers. Their manage-

as boiler-makers. Their ma ments have so far kept their views to themselves.

Stock market expectations are that GEC will take over C. A. Parsons the turbine generator part of Reyrolle, and that a joint operation might be formed between the boller-making operations of Clarke Chapman and Babcock. But trade union attitudes could be of central importance to the achievement of mergers. achievement of mergers.

It is questionable whether the unions could hold out against the combined weight of the Government and the companies, but the possibility of opposition from this quarter delaying, or even blocking, rationalization raises again the question of what future is in prospect for the four companies if they continue on their pre-

For all four, power plant manufacturing is only a part of companies which count it as the lowest proportion of total sales obviously stand to suffer the least from the industry's troubles. GEC Turbines, for instance, accounts for only 10 per cent of GEC's group sales, while C. A. Parsons accounts for probably 40 per cent of Reyrolle's.

Through a policy of diversification Babcock has cut its boilermaking turnover back from about 40 m some 15-20 per cent since 1970. In Clarke Chapman's case the proportion is still more than 40 per cent.

Otherwise, it seems clear that the turbine generator producers are much better placed to ride out the impending crisis than are the boilermakers, chiefly because they are less dependent on the domestic market.

It is the complete drying up of the home market as a source of new orders since 1973 that is precipitating the present problems. So far the full extent of the difficulties have not been felt because it takes six to seven and a half years between the placing of an order and the actual commissioning of a new-power station. But the indus-try's present workload is run-ning down fast and will have very largely expired by the middle of next year. At that stage the real impact on profit will develop. For boiler makers the position is even more serious. Boilers are much less of an Boilers are much less of an international commodity than turbine-generators and in recent years home sales have accounted for 70 to 80 per cent of output. So the prospect for Babcock and Clarke Chapman looks even more bleak than for CRC and Percent

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HOME ORDERS

UK TURBINE GENERATOR MANUFACTURERS (EXCLUDING SPARES AND REPAIRS)

ACTUAL AND FORECAST ORDER INTAKE:

Forecast home orders from 1977 onwards

Source: CPRS report on the future of the UK

Power Plant Manufacturing Industry

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entered the markets in a num-ber of developing and Iron

Curtain countries, making exporting even more compet-tive. The United Kingdom share

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The only other measure that could prevent a big cutback in an industry, which employs some 34,000 people predominantly in areas aiready bedevilled by high unemployment, would be a complete change of heart by the CEGB. But that seems unlikely without massive Gov.

unlikely without massive Gov-ernment subsidies.

itself to regular new ordering even thereafter.

The implications for the

companies are bound to be formidable and Babcock in par-

ticular is looking at the question of mass redundancies at its Renfrew plant. Precise impli-

cations for profitability are hard to gauge, but there will cer-tainly be a significant drop in turnover, which has been run-ning at about £200m a year for both the turbine generator pro-ducers and the boilermakers.

Bullock Report

In yesterday's article by Pro-fessor Schmitthoff on the Bullock Report it was inadventantly stated that the

assumes 3 per cent growth in the UK

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The question then will be how much the dearth of domestic much the dearth of domestic business can be offset by export orders. Over the past 10 years some 60 per cent of new orders for turbine generators have come from abroad. Parsons has historically been slightly stronger in this area than GEC, although in 1976 it got only 0.7 gigawatts (GW) of new orders while GEC gained 2.5GW (gigawatt=1,000 million watts).

The export outlook is not particularly rosy for either com-pany, however, not least because of Britain's high rare of inflation and the consequent hazards of quoting fixed prices. British export credit facilities, although fully competitive, still do not

New power station orders are in such short supply

because there is already large-scale

over-capacity in electricity generation

offer full inflation for contracts with such long land times.

There are other obstacles, too. Almost half of world export orders during the past five years have been turnkey con-tracts, involving just one tender for the whole power station. Historically, British companies have had no turnkey experience and their capability to handle such an operation looks limited. Also, British companies have no nuclear power station experi-ence which might be applicable to the export markets.

The Think Tank estimates that British turbine generator producers might expect orders of between one and three gigaof between one and three giga-watts a year up to 1980, rising to perhaps between two and four in the following five years. Given that the CEGB at present plans no new orders until 1978-79 (unless it is per-suaded to bring Drax 11 for-ward) and that both GEC and Parsons have capacity of 5GW a Parsons have capacity of 5GW a year, exports will evidently be quite incapable of filling the order book gaps.

Turning down a landlord whose property, in Adam's view, was not yet ready for letting, he wrote:

There is no window and no door, no stairway to the upper

completing. Friedel sends respectful

greeting.
Adam says that composing a letter in the usual officialese takes him much longer than the three minutes he needs for a rhyming reply of 60 words. He added (as nearly as trans-

Let's drop this killing. dusty prose, that every single voter knows in his battles with the

planners, in favour of poetic manners.

had to import 30 staff from France. There are plenty of local people willing and able to work there but the only bus service stops about three quarters of a mile short of the estate and nobody wants to walk the rest of the way. The BEC is to grant £40,000 to bring the road up to standard but nobody has get seen the money. West Yorkshire County Council, the planning authority, are a little embarrassed. They acknowledge that the lane needs widening and are trying to acquire two small pieces of land to make this possible, but the owner of one lives in Canada and is juving hard to find.

The pay paradox

pay restraint.

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The logic of such transactions becomes topical yet again with the strival of the annual season for TUC-Government negotiations on the next round of pay restraint and with the reports yesterday of the TUC's consemplated opening bid of large cuts in the basic rate of income tax with tighter price controls and lower interest rates. Indeed, on the face of it, this amounts on the face of it, this amounts to the curious proposition You scratch your back and maybe I'll scratch mine".

maybe I'll scratch mine".

It may seem hard to see why any negotiations should be needed over such a contract and indeed why any contract at all should be required to uphold such a resolve. Part of the explanation for this seeming emanation from the brein of Lewis Carroll lies in the failure of the protagonists—or at least the presumed failure of the respective gallenies to which they feel constrained to play—to under-

strained to play—to under-stand the pay paradox.

This may be expressed in the proposition that the faster the TUC raises the pay of its members, the poorer they will become and vice versa. The point here is not the comparatively trivial one expounded by standard 'Keynesians, namely that in an open economy with a fixed or sticky exchange rate higher tracestory. higher money pay tends to price British exports out of world markets, so causing direct unemployment and in-directly a balance of payments deficit leading either to govern-ment deflation or to devaluation and an adverse shift in the terms of trade.

of the world export markets has fallen from 31 to 12 per cent in the past 10 years and the Think Tank forecasts annual exports in the near Lodeed, so long as that kind of pay pressure succeeds in raising the balance of payments deficit it does increase real national income; and, if it is corrected as it should be by exchange rate adjustment, it future of no more than one corrected as it should be by exchange rate adjustment, it marely returns the terms of trade to where they were at the beginning. The argument against such pressures is that they either force the government to expand monetary demand to accommodate the new higher level of domestic costs, so underwriting an acceleration Even if the Think Tank's pro-Even if the Think Tank's pro-posals are implemented rapidly it must be questionable whether they could do anything more than slow down the pace of retrenchment. If Drax II is brought forward the business is expected to go to Parsons and Babcock (because they did the first stage) and would there-fore be of no help to GEC or Clarke Chapman.

Any stimulus the Government so underwriting an acceleration in inflation, or cause an avoid-able rise in unemploymet while pay and costs are forced down Any stimulus the Government might be able to give to exports cannot be expected to have a

The pay paradox is much more serious and applies to real pay (as measured by purchasing power), not just money pay (as measured in pounds of declin-ing value). It applies, moreover, in a closed economy as much as in an open economy and is

New power station orders are in such short supply because there is already large-scale over-capacity in electricity generation. It is estimated that completion of those power Theory, pp 106-111) how a decision by people to save more could, and in specified circumstations at present under con-struction in England and Wales could, and in specified circumstances necessarily would, lead to them saving less (see also Michael Stewart, Keynes and After, pp 111-114) because their reduced consumption would cause the whole economy to contract and with it the incomes out of which people were trying to save. This paradox depends on the important distinction between ex ante quantities (what will result in 25 per cent spare capacity over the planning mar-gin, which is itself 20 per cent above forecast simultaneous maximum demand. Faced with such over-capacity the CEGB might be expected to fight strongly any suggestions that it should bring forward new orders before 1979—indeed fr will be reluctant to commit tween ex ante quantities (what people intend, plan or try to save, consume, invest and so on) and ex post quantities (what people succeed in saving, con-suming, investing).

So it is with real pay. Expost real pay can rise only if output rises or if non-workers' real incomes fall. The real income of non-workers could fall significantly at present only if there were a major reversal of the improvements over the past 10 years in social security bene-fits, since the real income of the owners of capital has already fallen virtually to nil,

For practical purposes the essential determinant therefore of changes in ex post real pay is changes in real output. If the TUC increases ex ante real pay (supposing it to be able to do so), there may be a very tem-porary increase in real output in response to the increased real purchasing power of earned incomes. But this will quickly come into collision with the given supply of money and so cause a rise in real interest rates which will force the level of economic activity back towards its previous level.

A highwayman who accosted his clients with the threat force up the real cost of labour "Your money or my life" would be thought eccentric. This has led serious observers to inquire how it is that successive governments have been willing to pay a heavy price for trade union acquiescence in the profit margins which higher that the profit margins which higher the profit margins which higher that the profit margins which higher that the profit margins which higher the profit margins which higher than the profit margins which higher the profit margins which hi wall price some labour out of employment; and the implied incentive to firms to substitute capital for labour by investing more is likely to be more than outweighed by the squeeze on profit margins which higher labour costs and interest costs innly. Thus there is a lest imply. Thus, there is a less efficient distribution of the labour force (some employed at more than their market worth and others unemployed) and investment is depressed.

So, the effects of a rise in exante real pay will be a medium and long-term fall in ex post real pay. This is not a fate suffered by the conventional monopolist because his product is not in itself a basic factor of production affecting the whole performance of the economy.

The converse applies at least

The converse applies, at least down to some limit above sub-sistence levels of pay. The lower the TUC tries to set real pay ex onte, the higher in the medium and longer terms will ex post. real pay rise as employment and investment are stimulated, real output rises and employers scramble for labour to sustain the profitable expansion.

Unfortunately this is not the whole story. For a start, what is true for the TUC as a whole, (assuming by a more than 100 per cent heroic exaggeration

Peter Jay **Economics Editor**

that it represents the whole work force) is not true for each or any of its constituents individually. If they can raise their real pay by collective bargaining, they really will gain because they gain at the expense of the TUC's other constituents.

This is the classic political free-rider dilemma represented by a nation of starving highwaymen who would all, benefit from becoming a nation of farmers, but each of whom would benefit even more from remaining a highwayman while the rest became farmers. The confederal nature of the TUC. being given, it also explains Mr Murray's difficulties in selling pay restraint

Secondly, there is a cost attached to the TUC setting examte pay, whether high or low. This cost—in the form of frustrated adjustments of relative pay—may very well exceed the benefits of even the lowest likely ex ante pay "norm" which the TUC might propose.

The longer pay restraint goes on the greater, progressively and cumulatively, becomes this. as in an open economy and is analogous to Keynes's savings paradox (the validity of which is, however, less certain than that of the pay paradox).

Keynes, acknowledging his debt to Bernard Mandeville's eighteenth century The Rabie of the Baes, explained (General Theory, no 106.111) how a decireal norm makes the third year more worthy of consideration from the TUC's own point of view than it normally would be. But there is a deeper explanation of why governments nege-tiate with the TUC over pay restraint and pay prices for it which are sometimes favourable to the general interest and sometimes unfavourable to it. (Incidentally, it is hard to fol-low the logic of those who simultaneously proclaim that governments are the puppets of trade union leaders and profess amazement that they sacrifica the general interest in order to

bribe trade unionists to do themselves a favour.) Governments are supposedand broadly seek—to represent the general interest as they perceive it. The general interest includes the interests of labour, including unionized labour. Governments would be wrong to represent exclusively the rest

to represent exclusively the rest of the community.

Undoubtedly, the general interest broadly coincides with the TUC interest in securing the highest possible ex post real pay and real output and therefore the lowest possible ex antereal pay. The only difficult question of empirical judgment is to recognize the moment is to recognize the moment when the inherent costs-in inpaired labour market flexibility of any form of pay restraint plus the costs of "buying" trade union cooperation (costs which can, as in the case of income tax cuts, be negative) exceed the benefits to output and real incomes of lower ex ante

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

IN RE EQUITY FUNDING CORPORATION OF AMERICA SECURITIES LITIGATION

M.D.L. DOCKET NO. 142-MML (ALL CASES)

IMPORTANT NOTICE OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS AND CLASS ACTION DETERMINATION TO PRESENT AND FORMER OWNERS OF SECURITIES OF EOUITY FUNDING CORPORATION OF AMERICA AND EQUITY FUNDING CAPITAL CORPORATION, N.V., AND TO OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS

This Notice is given pursuant to federal law (Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure) and pursuant to orders of the United States District Court for the Central District of California ("the Court") filed March 26, 1976, December 20, 1976 and January 25, 1977. It is to inform you of certain judicial proceedings and of proposed settlements providing for the payment in the gross amount of approximately Sixty Million Dollars (\$60,000,000).

PART ONE: NOTICE OF CLASS ACTION DETERMINATION

- 1. The above-entitled litigation (the "litigation") combines many individual and class actions brought throughout the United States after trading in the securities of Equity Funding Corporation of America ("EFCA") was suspended.
- 2. The litigation (which is distinct from the reorganization proceedings and other legal proceedings affecting EFCA) consists of certain claims made on behalf of persons who held securities issued by EFCA or Equity Funding Capital Corporation, N.V. The plaintiffs' pleadings allege that the apparent success of EFCA and its subsidiaries from 1964 to 1973 was a fiction, the result of a fraudulent scheme of massive proportions and that the published financial statements and reports of EFCA included false and misleading statements of material facts relating to EFCA's earnings, assets and liabilities. The defendants are various former EFCA officers and directors, and certain persons, firms and entities related to EFCA or who had dealings with EFCA. They include EFCA's managing underwriters, certain of its auditors, its actuaries, a reinsurer of life insurance policies and, in addition, certain sellers of EFCA securities in March 1973, their represeniatives, and certain persons who communicated non-public informstion about the fraudulent scheme ("trading defendants"). Also named as defendants are the executors, trustees, and beneficiaries under the Will of Michael R. Riordan, Chairman of EFCA's board of directors until his death in 1969. The claims for money against the defendants are brought under various provisions of the federal securities laws and se to cortain defendants under principles of common law fraud, negligence, and breach of fiduciary duty. The claims against the trading defendants are brought on behalf of purchasers of EFCA securities during a portion of March 1978 when it is alleged that cortain of the trading defendants sold EFCA securities with non-public information about the fraudulent scheme.
- 3. The defendants have denied liability and have asserted various defenses. Except as to certain former officers of EFCA, the Court has not adjudicated whether the claims or the defenses have any merit,
- 4. You need do nothing if you desire to be included in a class of which you are a member. However, you will not be entitled to share in the proceeds of any favorable judgment or settlement, including the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice, unless you file a valid and timely proof of claim and release in accordance with the requirements set forth in Part Seven of this Notice.
- 5. On March 26, 1976, the Court ruled that certain define made in the litigation may proceed and be maintained as clear claims on behalf. of a plaintiff class consisting of all open marks; purchasers of EFCA. securities (e.g., stock, debentures and warrants), and their successors in interest, who were holders of EFCA securities at the time trading in MFCA securities was suspended on March 37, 1978, excluding all defendants except Fidelity Corporation and those of the triding defendants who were such holders. The Court has also ruled that this class shall include the following five subclasses:
 - (i) Subclass One consisting of those members of the class who were holders of RFCA's 81/1% debentures issued pursuant to the prospectus of December 9, 1970 and who are asserting claims under Section 11 of the Securities Act of 1933.
- (ii) Subclass Two consisting of those members of the class who were holders of EFCA's 51/4% debentures issued pursuant to the prospectus of December 7, 1971.
- (iii) Subclass Three—consisting of those members of the class who acquired their EFCA securities in exchange for their stock in Bankers National Life Insurance Co. which exchange occurred on or about October 12, 1971.
- (iv) Subclass Four consisting of those numbers of the class Who acquired their EFCA securities in exchange for their stock in Liberty Savings & Loan which exchange occurred on or about
- (v) Subclass Flos consisting of those members of the class, excluding the trading defendants, who purchased their EFCA. socurifies on the open market between March 15-27, 1973, inclusive, 28 to claims assorted against the trading defendants.

The plaintiff class and subclasses described above are sometimes referred to collectively as the "Certified Class" in this Notice. If the description of the Certified Class includes you, that you are a member

- 6. Any member of the Certified Class may be excluded from the Certified Class upon specific request in the manner set forth in paragraph 11 of this Notice. Any member of the Certified Class who is also a member of Subclass Five may be excluded solely from Subclass Five upon a request which so specifies, such request to be made in the manner set forth in paragraph 11 of this Notice. Any member of the Certified. Class who does request exclusion solely from Subclass Five and who does not request exclusion from the Certified Class shall remain a member of the Certified Class. Members of the Certified Class who request exclusion from any class of which they are members (other than those who request exclusion solely from Subclass Five) will not be entitled to share in any of the benefits of settlements or judgments in the litigation favorable to the Certified Class, including the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice, nor will they be bound by the terms of any settlement or of any judgment, whether favorable or adverse.
- 7. (i) If you are a member of the Cartified Class and do not request exclusion from the Certified Class, you may receive the benefit of and you will be bound by any judgment or settlement favorable to the Certified Class. You will also be bound by and will recover nothing pursuant to any judgment adverse to the Cartified Class. However, if there is such an adverse judgment, you will not in any circumstances have any liability for attorneys' feee.
- (ii) If you are a member of Subclass Five and request exclusion solely from Subclass Five, you will not be entitled to share in any of the benefits of settlements or judgments in this litigation favorable to Subclass Five, including the settlement described in section L of this Notice, nor will you be bound by the terms of any settlement or of any judgment, whether favorable or adverse, with respect to claims asserted against the trading defendants.
- 8. All the settling defendants named and described in Part Two of this Notice (the "Settling Defendants") (except the Subclass Five Settling Defendants) have stipulated, and the Court has also ruled, only for the purposes of the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice, that the term "open market purchasers" in the definition of the Certified Class above shall include all purchasers of EFCA. securities. If the description of the Certified Class as so extended includes you, then you are a member of the Certified Class, and the provisions of this Notice which relate to the Certified Class relate to you. All the Settling Defendants (except the Subclass Five Settling Defendants) have also stipulated, and the Court has also ruled, only for the purposes of the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice, that the litigation may proceed against the Settling Defendants (except the Subclass Five Settling Defendants) as a class action on behalf of additional classes, described as follows:

- (i) Settlement Class A All purchasers (and their specessor in interest) of 514% subordinated debentures (unlisted) due 1980, and 71/2% subordinated notes due 1974, issued by Equity Funding Capital Corporation, N.V., and guaranteed by EFCA, who purchased such debentures or notes on or prior to March 27, 1973 and who continue to hold the same or who suffered losses as a result of selling or otherwise disposing of such debentures or notes, excluding all defendants other than Fidelity Corporation and
- (ii) Settlement Class B All purchasers (and their successors in interest) of EFCA securities who purchased such securities on or prior to March 27, 1973 and who suffered losses as a result of selling or otherwise disposing of such securities, excluding all defendants other than Fidelity Corporation and the trading

Such classes are sometimes referred to collectively as the "Settlement Classes" and individually as a "Settlement Class" in this Notice. If the description of either of the Settlement Classes includes non, then you are a member of a Settlement Class.

- 9. Any member of a Sottlement Class may be excluded from a Settlement Class upon specific request in the manner set forth in paragraph 11 of this Notice. Any member of a Settlement Class who is also a member of Subclass Five may be excluded solely from Subclass Five upon a request which so specifies, such request to be made in the manner set forth in paragraph 11 of this Notice. Any member of a Settlement Class who does request exclusion solely from Subclass Five and who does not request exclusion from such Settlement Class shall remain a member of such Settlement Class. Members of a Settlement Class who request exclusion from ong class of which they are members (other than those who request exclusion solely from Subclass Five) will not be entitled to share in any of the benefits of the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice, nor will they be bound by the terms of any settlement. If you are a member of a Settlement Class and do not request exclusion from such Settlement Class, you may receive the benefit of and you will be bound by the settlements if the Court approves such settlements. However, you will not in any circomstances have any liability for attorneys' fees, except insofar as the same may be paid out of the proceeds of settlements. If you are a member of a Settlement Class and Subclass Five and request exclusion solely from Subclass Five, you will not be entitled to share in any of the benefits of settlements or judgments in the litigation favorable to Subclass Five, including the settlement described in section L of this Notice, nor will you be bound by the terms of any settlement or of any judgment, whether favorable or adverse, with respect to the claims asserted by Subclass Five against the trading defendants,
- 10. If you do not request exclusion from the class of which you are a member, you may, but are not required to, enter an appearance through counsel of your own choosing. If you do not request exclusion you will be represented by commel designated by the Court. Their names and addresses may be obtained by writing the representatives of plaintiffs' counsel: Jack Corinblit and Marshall B. Grossman, Se Schwartz, Alsohular & Grossman and Corinblit & Shaparo, 1890 Century Park East, Suite 1212, Los Angeles, California 90067,
- 11. If you wish to be excluded from the Certified Class, a Settlement Class or solely from Subclass Five, you must submit a written request for explusion postmarked on or before April 1, 1977. Any such request must be addressed to the Clerk of the United States Di triot Court for the Central District of California, Post Office Box 76971. Los Anceles, California 20076, must refer to the above-entitled litigation as In Re Equity Funding Corporation of America Securities Litigation, M.D.L. 142-MML", must include your name and address and a statement that you request exclusion, and should also describe the type of securities you purchased, the date or dates of such purchase, the number of shares of stock, notes, debentures or warrants you purchased, the face value of debentures or notes you purchased, the price paid or consideration given by you for the securities you purchased. and if you sold any such securities, the proceeds of sale. If you received any cash or shares of the common stock of Orion Capital Corporation in connection with the EFCA reorganization proceedings, or the liquidation of any subsidiary of EFCA, whether based on any settlement or compromise agreement with the Trustee of EFCA, or on any claim form and hallot submitted by you or on your behalf in the RIFCA reorganization proceedings, you should also state the amount of each and the number of shares of common stock of Orion Capital Corporation you received. If you wish to be excluded solely from Subclass Five, your written request for exclusion must so state. If you obtained such mities by gift, inheritance or operation of law, you should provide the required information as it applies to your predecessor.
- 12. If you wish to be excluded from the Certified Class, a Settlement Class or solely from Subclass Five, you must request exclusion in the manner set forth in paragraph 11 of this Notice even if you have filed your own lawsuit based on any EFCA-related claims, and even if your lawsuit in part of the litigation. All class members who do not request exclusion, as well as those who request exclusion solely from Subclass Five, will be enjoined and barred from commencing or continuing to prosecute any lawsuits in this Court or in any othercourt, state or federal, against the Settling Defendants and any of their present and former partners, directors, officers, shareholders in their capacity as abareholders, employees, trustees and agents, except against defendant Arkus-Duntov with respect to certain claims described in paragraph 39 below, based on any EFCA-related claims, including claims based on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation. However, those members of Subclass Five who request exclusion solely from Subclass Five will not be enjoined or harred from mencing or continuing to prosecute any lawsuits against the trad-
- 13. As used in this Notice the term "EFCA-related claims" refers to claims srising out of or with respect to any financial statements of MFCA or its subsidiaries; any prospectuses, registration statements, proxy statements, or offering circulars, or any amendments thereto. issued by EFCA or any of its subsidiaries; any transactions or occurrences involving EFCA or its subsidiaries (or any officers or employees of EFCA of its subsidiaries); or any securities or evidences of indebtedzess issued by EFCA or its subsidiaries.

PART TWO: NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT HEARING AND SUMMARIES OF PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS

- 14. The Court has ordered that a hearing (the "Seitlement Hearing") be held before the Honorable Malcolm M. Lucas, United States District Judge for the Central District of California, in Room 11 of the United States Court House, 312 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, Califormis, on April 29, 1977, at 10:00 A.M., to determine the fairness and reasonableness of the terms and conditions of each of the proposed settlements and the proposed Plan of Allocation for proceeds of settlements (described in section P of this Notice).
- 16. Representatives of plaintiffs' counsel have investigated the facts and circumstances regarding the claims against the Setting Da-Jendanis and the defenses thereto, and the financial condition of certain of the Settling Defendants. Representatives of plaintiffs' counsel have concluded that such settlements are in the best interests of the plaintiff
- 16. Each of the settlements, except those with the Trustee of EFCA and certain former directors, officers and employees of EFCA, provides that it is subject to termination if members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes, holding claims which in the aggregate exceed. amounts stated in separate written agreements filed with the Court under seal, request exclusion. The settlement with the Subclass Five

Settling Defendants described in section L of this Notice is subject to termination if certain members of Subclass Five or members of Subclass Five holding claims which in the aggregate exceed an amount set forth in a separate written agreement filed with the Court under seal

- 17. If the Court disapproves any of the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice, or if they are terminated occording to their terms, then the rights and duties of the parties to any such settlements will continue as if no settlement agreements had been executed.
- 18. The settlements described in Part Two of this Notice relate only to the Settling Defendants and the Trustee of EFCA. Each such settlement will be considered by the Court on its own merits independent of the other settlements and independent of the Plan of Allocation. The litigation will continue as against the non-settling defendants, including defendants Stanley Goldblum (former Chairman of the Board of Directors and President of EFCA and director and officer of numerous subsidiaries of EFCA), James H. Banks (former EFCA and EFLIC Assistant Secretary and Counsel), Lloyd D. Edeas (former EFCA Group Controller and Vice-President - Financial Services and officer of Bankers National Life Insurance Co. ("Bankers"), a subsidiary of EFCA), Arthur S. Lewis (former EFCA Assistant Vice-President and Actuary, EFLIC Director, Vice-President and Actuary), Mark C. Lewis (former EFCA and EFLIC employee), Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. (former auditors of Liberty Savings & Loan Association and Northern Life Insurance Company, subsidiaries of EFCA), and certain other
- 19. The amounts to be paid under the proposed settlements are summarized as follows:
- A. Settling Defendants Amounts to be Paid
- (i) Wolfson, Weiner & Co., Wolfson, Weiner, Batoff \$33,000,000 & Lapin, Seidman & Seidman, Harkins & Sells. and certain of their alleged present and former partners, employees and agents.
- (ii) Bache Halsey Stuart, Inc. (formerly known as \$ 3.467.50) Bache & Co.), and New York Securities Co., Incorporated.
- (iii) Joseph Froggatt & Co. and certain of its former \$ 3,450,000
- (iv) Milliman & Robertson, Inc. \$ 3,000,000
- (v) The Estate of Michael R. Riordan, and certain \$ 2,000,000 doness of and beneficiaries under the Will of Michael R. Riordan.
- (vi) Pennsylvania Life Company and certain of its \$ 5,000,000 publishmen, directors, officers and employees.
- (vii) Certain former directors, officers and employees \$ 227,381 of EFCA and its subsidiaries.
- (viii) Dishy, Easton & Co. \$ 50,000
- (ix) Subclass Five Settling Defendants. € 4,000,000 €
- B. The Trustee of EFCA
- * Pursuant to the settlement with the Trunce of EFCA (described in section B of this Notice) \$2.4 million plus certain other amounts will be paid to the Trustee out of the Accountants' Settlement Fund. Pursuant to the agreement between the members of the Certified Class and the Subclass Five Settling Defendants (described in section M of this Notice) \$750,000 will be paid to certain of the Subclass Five Settling Defendants out of the Accountants' Settlement Fund. Pursuant to the agreement between the members of Subclass Five and the Subclass Five Saiding Defendants (described in section L of this Notice) the above described sum of \$750,000 is to be assigned to the members of Subclass Pive,

Summaries of the proposed seftlements follow. For the full deinits of the settlements, you may desire to refer to the agreements of settlement on file with the Court at the address set forth in personanh 69 of this Notice and at other designated locations as referred to in paragraph

- A, Settlement With Defendants Wolfson, Weiner & Co., Wolfson, Weiner, Ratoff & Lapin, Haskins & Sells and Seldman & Seldman and Certain of Their Alleged Present and Former Partners, Employees and Agents
- 20. A settlement has been reached between representatives of plaintiffs' counsel and defendants Wolfson, Weiner & Co., Wolfson, Weiner, Ratoff & Lapin, Seidman & Seidman, Haskins & Sells, Phillip J. Wolfson, Julian S. H. Weiner, Solomon Block, Marvin A. Lichtig, Bernard C. Duskin, Edward Clark, John E. Mitchell, Dean J. Boosalis, Frank M. Zeveral, Jr., Leonard Bagen, R. Peter Fishman, Robert Gorin, J. C. Rodgers, the Estate of Benjamin H. Lapin (by Ada Lapin. Fromtrix), Arthur M. Hartzband, Melvin Bund, Saul Bruh, George Mandel, Thomas F. Egan, Frank J. Flaum, Samuel B. Ratoff, Lorin H. Wilson (as representative of a class of all individual partners of Haskins & Sells who were partners of that accounting firm at any time during the period when Haskins & Sells was retained by Equity Funding Life Insurance Company), and Robert L. Spencer (as representative of a class of all individual partners of Scidman & Scidman who were partners of that accounting firm at any time during the period when Seidman & Seidman was retained by EFCA or any of its subsidiaries) (collectively referred to as "Settling Accountant Defendants").
- 21. The settlement requires payment of \$39,000,000, in cash (the "Accountants' Settlement Fund"), and the deposit of same at interest pending distribution. The settlement requires the release and discharge of all EFCA-related claims, including all claims based on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation, which are or might be asserted by or on behalf of any of the members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes against the Settling Accountant Defendants or any of their present and former partners, employees, agents and insurers.
- 32. The money to be paid in settlement of these claims should be considered in connection with the settlement with the EFCA Trustee described in section B below. Payment will be made out of the Accountants' Settlement Fund to the EFCA Trustee as described in section
- 93. Because the Settling Accountant Defendants have agreed to pay \$39,000,000, it is necessary to reasonably assure the Settling Arcountant Defendants that they will not be at risk for additional payments. Therefore, the settlement provides for the creation of an Accountants' Indemnification Fund as a portion of the Accountants' Settlement Fund. Representatives of plaintiffs' counsel may negotiate with the Settling Accountant Defendants to increase the Accountants' Indemnification Fund from the Accountants' Settlement Fund if required to preserve the settlement. The Accountants' Indomnification. Fund will be, at a minimum, \$3,000,000. It is a theoretical, but unlikely, possibility that the Accountants' Indomnification Fund could approach or equal the total Accountants' Settlement Fund. The total Accountants' Indemnification Fund shall be calculated as set forth in the stipulation for settlement and in a supplemental agreement between representatives of plaintiffs' counsel and the Settling Accountant Defendants which has been filed under seal with the Court,
- 24. The Accountants' Indemnification Fund shall be used to defend sud indennify the Settling Accountant Defendants and their present and former partners, employees and agents against any EFCA-related claims which have been or may be asserted against any of them with respect to services rendered as accountants (including suditing services, agement advisory and other consulting services and tax services) to EFCA or any of its subsidiaries, and to pay the costs and expenses (including attorneys' fees) of defending such claims, and to pay any sofflements or judgments based on such claims,
- 25. The Accountants' Indomnification Fund shall be held and invested and not completely distributed until the final disposition (by payment, settlement, release, satisfaction or final adjudication in favor of the Settling Accountant Defendants) of such claims referred to in paragraph 24 above or until 37 months after the last date for class members to file requests for exclusion, whichever date is later. The remainder of the Accountants' Indemnification Fund, if any, shall then be distributed.
- 26. The settlement contains additional provisions designed to profect the Settling Accountant Defendants against risk of liability over and above the amount paid in settlement. These include provisions that alsos members who do not request explusion as well as those who request exclusion solely from Subcless Five, may be required to reduce their judgments, if any, obtained against anyone based on EFGA-related elains by crediting to such judgments an amount equal to the judgments,

if any, entered in favor of any such judgment debtor (by way of contri bution, indemnity or otherwise) against the Settling Accountant De fendants, and to add to the Accountants' Indemnification Fund the case proceeds of judgments or settlements recovered by class member against anyone based on EFCA-related claims, until any of certain conditions specified in the stipulation of settlement (such as obtaining releases in favor of the Settling Accountant Defendants) has been satis fied. The settlement further provides that the settlement is conditioneupon certain of the trading defendants releasing the Settling Account ant Defendants from all EFCA-related claims, including claims for contribution and indennity, and that such releases will cause the additional protective provisions described in this paragraph to be satisfied with respect to claims of the members of Subclass Five again. those trading defendants who give such releases.

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R. Settlement With The EFCA Trustee

- 27. Since shortly after its collapse in 1973, EFCA has been i reorganization proceedings in the Court under Chapter X of the N_{ℓ} . tional Bankrapter Act, In the Matter of Equity Funding Corporation of America. No. 73-03467 (the "reorganization proceedings"). EFCA" Amended Plan of Reorganization (dated February 23, 1976) includes settlement and compromise between the Trustee of the EFCA estat (the "Trustee") and the plaintiff classes of their potentially competing claims against certain of EFCA's auditors, including Scidman & Seit Buan; Wolfson, Weiner, Ratoff & Lopin; Wolfson, Weiner & Co.; an Haskins & Sells as follows:
- (i) The plaintiff classes and the Trustee shall share equally i any amount payable either in settlement with or on account of judgment against EFCA's said auditors in the litigation or in th Trustee's own action against the accountants [Loeffer, as Trustee v. Wolfson, Weiner, Ratoff & Lapin, No. 75-301-MML (C.D. Cal) until the Trustee has received the sum of \$2.4 million plus \$56,431.2 in attorney's fees for the Trustee's special counsel, and reimburss ment of certain costs. The amounts paid to the Trustee are to b distributed or employed by the Trustee as set forth in the Amenda Plan of Reorganization.
- (iii) The Trustee's Amended Plan of Reorganization furth ... 7. provides that the Trustee will pay to or for the benefit of the mer bers of the plaintiff classes \$250,000.
- (iii) The Trustee's Amended Plan of Reorganization, incluing the settlement and compromise described in subparagraph (above, has already received creditor and District Court approval the reorganization proceedings, (Two persons who claim to creditors of EFCA have appealed from the order of approval, athat appeal is now pending.) The settlement and compromise net forth in the Amended Plan of Reorganization is, however, at ject to the further approval of the Honorable Malcolm M. Lucs United States District Judge in the litigation. Representatives plaintiffs' counsel and the Trustee have also agreed that in ec junction with the agreements with the Trustee described in the section B of this Notice the members of the plaintiff class will dismiss their appeals from the order of the Court entered the reorganization proceedings granting the Trustee's applicati to enjoin the prosecution of certain actions against EFCA's er
- 28. Representatives of plaintiffs' counsel and the Trustee lave at agreed that the Trustee will pay to or for the benefit of the membe of the plaintiff classes the sum of \$187,500 in compromise of slate for indemnity asserted against the Trustee by defendants Bache Habi Stuart, Inc. and New York Securities Co., Incorporated and the m of \$150,000 in compromise of claims for indomnity asserted against t Trustee by defendants Arkus-Duntov, Glaser, Livingston, Bowie, Sey and Loud and assigned to plaintiffs in accordance with settlener reached with those defendants. This agreement is also subject to :. approval of the Court in the reorganization proceedings. .
- C. Seitlement With Defendants Bachs Halsey Stuart, Inc. and N York Securities Co., Incorporated.
- 29. A settlement has been reached between representatives plaintiffs' counsel and defendants Bache Halsey Stuart, Inc. (forms. known as Bache & Co., Inc.) and New York Securities Co., Incorporat The settlement requires payment of \$3,280,000 in cash plus the assign ment to or for the benefit of the members of the plaintiff classes of of their claims and rights to indemnity against the Trustee, includithe right to receive shares of common stock of Orion Capital Corpo tion pursuant to the Amended Plan of Reorganization. As describ in paragraph 28 above, the Trustee has agreed to pay \$187,500 to i plaintiff classes, in compromise of claims for indemnity so assign The settlement is subject to the assignment of such claims and rigito indemnity and the approval of the Court in the litigation and reorganization proceedings of the agreement with the Trustee describ in paragraph 28 above. The cash is to be deposited at interest pend? later proceedings and distribution. The settlement requires the relecand discharge of all EFOA-related claims, including all claims bes on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiffs' plandings in the litigatiwhich are or might be asserted by or on behalf of any of the member of the Certified Class or the Sattlement Classes against Bacha Hale Stuart, Inc., New York Securities Co., Incorporated, or any of th present and former partners, directors, officers, shareholders in the Trans. capacity as shareholders, employees and agents, except defends -- Lorent Andrews Nelson Loud in his capacity as a director of EFCA.
- D. Settlement With Defendants Joseph Froggett & Co., Jose Frogest & Co., Inc., Coopers & Lybrand, and Certain Oth
- A Tree Providence | Il 30. A settlement has been reached between representatives plaintiffs' counsel and defendants A. F. Colao, M. I. Ginsburg, R. Johnson, P. J. Miller, J. Froggatt, Jr., the Estate of J. Froggatt, J. the Estate of Scott Harris, W. L. Hipperd, Vincent Serrecchia (buafter referred to collectively as the "Froggatt individual defendants" Joseph Froggatt & Co., Joseph Froggatt & Co., Inc., and Coopers ybrand. The settlement requires Joseph Froggatt & Co., Josep Froggatt & Co., Inc., and the Froggatt individual defendants to car the payment of \$3,450,000, in cash, and the deposit of same at intere pending later proceedings and distribution. The settlement requir the release and discharge of all EFCA-related claims including a claims based on any of the facts alleged in plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation, which are or might be asserted by or on behalf of any of # members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes against \$3. Froggatt individual defendants, Joseph Froggatt & Co., Joseph Froggatt & Co., Inc., and Coopers & Lybrand, or any of their present former pariners, directors, officers, principals, shareholders, employed agents and insurers.

E. Settlement With Defendant Milliman & Robertson, Inc.

- 31. A settlement has been reached between representatives plaintiffs' counsel and defendant Milliman & Robertson, Inc. Ti settlement requires payment of \$3,000,000 in cash, and the deposit same at interest pending later proceedings and distribution. The settl ment requires the release and discharge of all EFCA-related claim including all claims based on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiff pleadings in the litigation, which are or might be asserted by or o behalf of any of the members of the Certified Class or the Settlemes Classes against Milliman & Robertson, Inc., or any of its present ar former partners, directors, officers, shareholders, employees and agent
- F. Settlement With the Estate of Michael R. Riordan, Certai Doness of Michael R. Riordan, and the Beneficiaries Under the Will of Michael R. Riordan
- 32 A settlement has been reached between representatives t plaintiffs' counsel and the Estate of Michael R. Biordan, certain dones of Michael B. Riordan, and the beneficiaries under the Will of Michae R, Riordan (the "Biordan defendants"),
- 33. The settlement requires payment of \$2,000,000 in cash, an ... the deposit of same at interest pending distribution. The payment an the deposit of same at interest penning management requires the release and discussion and discu charge of all EFCA-related claims, including all claims based on an of the facis alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation which is the facis alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation which is a second baself of any of the members of the are or might be asserted by or on behalf of any of the members of th Certified Class or the Settlement Classes against the Biordan Defend Certified Class or the Settlement Classes against the Riordan Defend ants and against the Riordan property that is the subject matter o the litigation.
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 34. This settlement is not only subject to the approval of the Cour
 but is also subject to the approval by the Court in the reorganization
 proceedings and by the Probate Department of the Superior Court a

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selween the Trustee and the Riordan Defendants. The Court in the corganization proceedings and the Probate Department of the Superior 'ourt of Los Angeles County have both approved such separate settle. nent. The settlement between the Trustee and the Riordan Defendants squires the payment to the Trustee of \$1,000,000 in cash and the execuion of a promissory note in the sum of \$7,000,000 parable to the Trustee ver a period of years out of certain specified assets, some of which are 1 existence and some of which are contingent,

G. Settlement With Defendants Pennsylvania Life Company, Pennsylvania Life Insurance Company, Penn General Agencies of Californiz, Inc., Joe D. Bain, Stanley Beyer, Burton Borman, Daniel J. DiSipio and G. Philip Streatfeild.

35. A selflement has been reached between representatives of amtiffs' counsel and defendants Pennsylvania Life Company, anaylvania Life Insurance Company, Penn General Agencies of difornia, Inc., Joe D. Bain, Stanley Beyer, Burton Barman, Daniel J. Sipio and G. Philip Streatfeild (the "Penn Life Defendants"),

36. The seitlement requires payment of \$2,000,000 in each, and the posit of same at interest pending later proceedings and distribution. maylvania Life Company will also issue and deposit, pending later occdings and distribution, a promissory note in the amount of 100,000, due and payable on July 10, 1980, and bearing interest at the s of 10% per annual (with provisions for an additional payment of 5,000 in cash on June 10, 1978, should Pennsylvania Life Company pay or cause the note to be paid by that date). The delivery and oat of the cash and note has been made.

27. The settlement requires the release and discharge of all EFCAal claims, including all claims based on any of the facts alleged in daintiffs' pleadings in the litigation which are or might be asserted r on behalf of any of the members of the Certified Class or the ement Classes against the Penn Life Defendants, or any of their maries, present and former directors, officers, employees and

Settlement With Defendants Backerman, Cape, Collins, Evans, Gardenier, Gootnick, Keller, Levin, Majerus, McClellan, Mercado, Pennish, Smith, Sultan and Symonds

1. Settlements have been reached between representatives of plaincounsel and defendants Gary Beckerman (former Assistant to the lent of Equity Funding Life Insurance Company ("EFLIC"), a liary of EFCA, and EFCA Director of Advertising and Communis), David J. Caps (former EFCA Group Controller and Viceioni), Lawrence G. Collins (former EFCA Assistant Vice-Presiand EFLIC Vice-President), Jerome H. Evans (former EFCA. arer, Secretary-Treasurer, and Executive Vice-President), Richardenier (former EFCA and EFLIC Assistant to the Actuary), m Gootnick (former EFCA Vice-President and officer of Bankexter M. Keller (former EFCA and EFLIC computer systems maer), Fred Levin (former EFCA and EFLIC Director, EFCA ivo Vice-President, EFLIC President, Bankers President), s Majerus (former EFLIC Controller), Donald McClellan (form-A computer systems analyst), William Mercado (former EFCA. r of Financial Services), John Pennish (former EFCA Execuce-Prosident and EFCA Treasurer), James C. Smith (former Vise-President and EFLIC Executive Vice-President), Michael an (former EFCA Vice-President and Corporate Controller), Illiam E. Symonds (former Assistant to EFCA and EFLIC Vice-

munnry of the respective selllements is as follows:

(i) Certain of these defendants have paid cartain sums of nev. The aggregate amount of such annua is \$22.381. Said some the deposited at interest pending later proceedings and

(ii) Each defendant shall cooperate with plaintiffs' counsel in furnishing of information and evidence without invoking the ilege against self-incrimination.

(iii) The settlements require the release and discharge of all JA-related claims including all claims based on any of the facts ged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation which are or ht be asserted by or on behalf of any of the members of the tified Class or the Settlement Classes against the respective endania.

(iv) Each of these settlements is subject to the approval of the rt and also (except for defendant Majerus) subject to the apal of the Court in the reorganization proceedings of separate ements between the EFCA Trustee and the same defendants, h settlements provide for the payment of the aggregate amount 4.119 to the Trustee in cash and promissory notes. The Court a reorganization proceedings has approved such settlements. tent requested, these defendants have fully cooperated in the st consistent with the settlements. Documents furnished and ations made by the defendants show their inability to satisfy ment significantly greater than the amount being paid in

tlements With Defendants Yurs Arkus-Duntov, Herbert ser, Gale Livingston, Robert Bowie, Judson Sayre and son Loud.

etilmients have been reached between representatives of counsel and defendants Yura Arkus-Duniov (former EFOA Vice-President and Executive Vice-President). Herbert rmer EFCA Director, Assistant Scarelary, Executive Vice--Real Estate and Savings and Loans, and Director of cer-A subsidiaries), Gale Livingston (former EFCA Director). Bowie (former EFCA Director), Judson S. Sayre (former ector) and Nelson Loud (former EFCA Director).

many of the respective settlements is as follows:

) Defendants Arkus-Danior (as to \$10,000), defendant (as to \$25,000), defendant Livingston (as to \$10,000) and lant Lond (as to \$10,000) have agreed to pay a total of 0. Said suns shall be deposited at interest pending later dings and distribution. Defendants Bowie and Sayre have reed to make any each payments.

i) All of these defendants have also assigned to or for the Lof the members of the plaintiff classes all of their claims and to indemnity asserted against the Trustee, including the right cive shares of common stock of Orion Capital Corporation upt to the Amended Plan of Reorganization. As described in raph 28 above, the Trustee has agreed to pay \$150,000 to the ff classes, in compromise of the claims for indemnity so ed. The settlement is subject to the assignment of such rights munity and the approval of the Court in the litigation and the nization proceedings of the agreement with the Trustee ied in paragraph 28 above.

ii) These defendants have cooperated with plaintiffs' counsel furnishing of facts and evidence. Defendant Glaser has coed with and assisted the EFCA Trustee in the management teration of EFCA from April 1973 until March 1974, and fler seted as a consultant to the EFCA Trustee until

1) Although these defendants were directors of EFCA, plaintiffs' connsel for the Certified Class and the Settlement s nor the EFCA Trustee has found any evidence of willful or g participation in the EFCA fraudulent scheme on the part e defendants.

) Except as provided below, the settlements require the remal discharge of all EFCA-related claims, including all based on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings itigation which are or might be asserted by or on behalf of the members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes these six defendants. The following claims, asserted Arkus-Dantov, will not be released or discharged: The isserted in Jefferies & Company, Inc. r. Arkus Duntor, et al., Docket No. 142, Nos. CV-73-2989-MML, CV-74-1062-MML, ; to the sale on March 26, 1973 of common stock of EFCA

to owned by Arkns Duntov. ements With Defendants Lowell and Secrist

filements were reached in 1974 between representatives of coursel and defendants Samuel B. Lowell (former EFCA Vice-President and Director) and Ronald Secrist (former e-President), as follows:

Lowell and Secrist shall cooperate with plaintiffs' counsel shing information and evidence without invoking the priviainst relf-incrimination.

EFCA-related claims, including all claims based on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation, which are or might be asserted by or on behalf of any of the members of the Cartified Class or the Settlement Classes against these two

Lowell and Secrisi have fully cooperated consistent with the rettlements since 1974, during portions of which period of time a Court order barred. any formal discovery proceedings. Documents formished and representations made by Lowell and Secrist show their inability to satisfy any meaningful judgment.

K. Settlement With Defendant Dishy, Easton & Co.

41. A settlement has been reached between representatives of plaintiffs' counsel and defendant Dishy. Easton & Co.: The settlement requires payment of \$50,000 in cash, and the deposit of same at interest pending later proceedings and distribution. The settlement requires the release and discharge of all EFCA-related claims, including all claims based on any of the facts alleged in the plaintiffs' pleadings in the litigation, which are or might be asserted by or on behalf of any of the members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes against Dishy, Easton & Co., br any of its present and former partners, directors, officers, shareholders in their capacity as shareholders, employees and

L. Settlement Between Members of Subclass Five And The Subclass Five Settling Defendants

42. A settlement has been reached between representatives of plaintiffs' counsel on behalf of the members of Subclass Five and certain of the trading defendants as defined in the settlement (the "Subclass Five Settling Defendants"). The settlement contemplates the payment of an aggregate sum of at least \$4,000,000 (the "Subclass Five Settlement Fund"), based upon the agreement by certain of said Subclass Five Settling Defendants to pay at least \$3,250,000 and to assign to the members of Subclass Five the sum of \$750,000 from the Alfred I sinersity action settlement described in section M below. The realization of the \$750,000 from the above described assignment is subject to the approval and effectuation of the settlement with the Settling Accountant Defendants described in section A above. In the event the agreement described in section M below, which provides for the assignment of the \$750,000, is not approved by the Court, the settlement described in this section L shall be terminated, unless the Subclass Five Settling Defendants prevent such termination by voluntarily paying the sum of \$750,000 to the members of Subclass Five. In the event any of the Subclass Five Settling Defendants fail to pay their respective shares of the \$3,250,000 payment, plaintiffs' counsel may elect to terminate the settlement described in this section L, or they may elect to exercise any other rights or remedies available. The Subclass Five Settling Defendants are required to pay their respective shares of the \$3,250,000 payment at the times specified in the settlement and the \$750,000 payment to the members of Subclass Five is to be made at the time specified in the agreement described in section M below, and to deposit all payments in an interest-bearing account pending later proceedings and distribution to the members of Subclass Five.

43. The Subclass Five Seitling Defendants have stipulated and the Court has ruled that all purchasers of 51/76 subordinated convertible debentures, due 1989, issued by Equity Funding Capital Corporation. N.V. and guaranteed by EFCA ("N.V. purchasers"), who purchased such debentures between March 15-27, 1978, inclusive, and who continued to hold such debentures at the time trading in EFCA securities was suspended on March 27, 1978 shall be deemed to be members of Subclass Five.

44. The settlement requires the release and discharge of all HFCArelated claims contained in Counts I.-V, VII and VIII of the Second Amended Unified and Consolidated Complaint and the proposed Third Amended Unified and Consolidated Complaint against the trading defendants, including all claims based on any of the facts alleged in the aforesaid pleadings in the litigation, which are or might be asserted. by or on behalf of any of the members of Subclass Five and the N.V. purchasers against the trading defendants, including the Subclass Five Settling Defendants or any of their present and former partners, directors, officers, shareholders in their espacity as shareholders, irustees, employees and agents.

M. Agreement Between Members of The Certified Class And The Subclass Five Settling Defendants

45. An agreement has been reached between representatives of plaintiffs' counsel on behalf of the members of the Certified Class and the Subclass Five Settling Defendants relating to certain claims of the said Subclass Five Settling Defendants for indemnity and contribution. Certain of said claims have been asserted by certain of the Subclass Five Settling Defendants against the Settling Accountant Defendants in Count II of an action entitled Alfred University, et al. vs. Wolfson. Wriver, Ratoff & Lapin, et al., No 76 CV 1081 (the "Alfred University action"), filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and transferred to the Court. In order to protect the Settling Accountant Defendants against such claims for contribution and indemnity and the risk of liability over and above the amount paid by said Settling Accountant Defendants in sattlement, as described in section A above, an agreement has been reached between the members of the Certified Class and the Subclass Five Settling Defendants, which requires that, as consideration for the release and dismissal of all of their EFCA-related claims against the Settling Accountant Defendants including the claims for contribution and indemnity asserted in the Alfred University action, and the release of all other EFCA-related claims by the Subclass Five Settling Defendants against all of the actiling defendants (except the Subclass Five Settling Defendants), and the agreement by the Subclass Five Settling Defendants to refrain from requesting exclusion from the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes, the sum of \$750,000 will be paid out of the Accountants' Settlement Fund to certain of the Subclass Five Seitling Defendants. Pursuant to the settlement described in section L above, the \$750,000 is to be assigned by the Subclass Five Seifling Defendants to the members of Subclass Five. Those of the Subclass Five Settling Defendants, who are members of the Certified Class or either of the Settlement Classes, may be entitled to share in the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice (except the settlement described in section L above) and the releases and dismissals by them described above will not disqualify such Subclass Five Settling Defendants from such participation as members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes.

N. Agreement by Members of Subclass Five to Dismiss Claims Against Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Tennenhaust

46. An agreement has been reached between representatives of plaintiffs' rounsel and trading defendants Goldman, Sachs & Co. and L. Jay Tennenbaum which requires the members of Subclass Five to dismiss with prejudice their claims against these defendants, without cosis, subject only to the final approval by the Court of the settlement described in section L of this Notice.

O. Agreement by Members of the Certified Class to Dismiss Claims Against Chemical Bank,

47. An agreement has been reached between representatives of plaintiffs' counsel and defendent Chemical Bank which requires the members of the Certified Class to dismiss with prejudice fiser claims against defendant Chemical Bank, and without costs to the plaintiffs, rubject to the approval by the Court in the reorganization proceedings of a separate agreement between Chemical Bank and the Trustee of EFCA as to Chemical Bank's claim for indemnity against the Trustee

P. Approval of Agreements of Settlement; Proposed Plan of Allocation of Settlement Proceeds; Payment of Attorneys' Fees and

48. As to the agreements of settlement identified in Part Two of this Notice, those that are approved by the Court, if any, will result in the net proceeds of settlements being paid to such members of the Certified Class and the Settlement Classes and such other persons and entities as may be ordered by the Court.

49. If the settlement and compromise with the Trustee (described in section B above) and the agreement with the Subclass Five Settling Defendants (described in section M above) are approved by the Court, tion the Trustee and the Subclass Five Settling Defendants shall share, to the extent provided in those agreements, in the proceeds of the Accountants' Settlement Fund to be paid by the Setfling Accountant

50. The settlements, releases and discharges described in this Notice shall not release or discharge or benefit any person or entity The rettlements require the release and discharge of all except as is expressly set forth in the respective settlement agreements.

51. Representatives of plaintiffs' counsel have submitted to the Court a proposed plan for the allocation of the proceeds of settlements (the "Plan of Allocation"), including the payment by the Trustee of \$250,000 as described in section B of this Notice and the EFLIC Settlement Fund described in Part Six of this Notice. The proposed Plan of Allocation is similar to the provisions for commutation of the fraud claims recognized in Creditors Class 8 of the Trustee's Amended Plan of Reorganization. The proposed Plan of Allocation provides, in material nert as follows:

(i) All members of the Certified Class and the Settlement Classes will share and share alike in the proceeds of settlements based on their net adjusted losses, regardless of the type of securities upon which such class members' claims are founded and regardless of the date of acquisition of securities (except as provided in subparagraphs 51(vi) and (vii) below):

(ii) Each member of the Certified Class and the Settlement Classes will be required to file a proof of claim and release, itemizing all EFCA and Equity Funding Capital Corporation, N.Y. securities acquired by such class member between January 1, 1964 and March 27, 1973, as provided in Part Seven of this Notice. The aggregate of each class member's losses will be reduced by the aggregate of any gains (the "net loss"),

(iii) To the extent that the net loss of a class member, as computed in accordance with subparagraph 51(ii) occurred due to a decline in the warket price of such class members' securities prior to the close of business on March 16, 1973, it shall be computed at 20% thereof, whether or not such class member disposed of such securities prior to that time or continued to hold them. To the extent the net loss so computed occurred due to a decline in the market price of such securities after the close of business on March 16, 1973, such net losses shall be computed at 100%. (The net loss as so computed is referred to as the "net adjusted loss".) The net adjusted loss shall not be subject to further adjustment, except as provided in subparagraph 51 (iv).

(iv) Solely with respect to the members of Settlement Class A. the net adjusted loss of each such class member, as computed in accordance with subparagraph 51(iii), shall be further adjusted by computing such net adjusted loss at 70% thereof.

(v) The Court may approve the holding in reserve of not more than \$500,000 out of the proceeds of sattlements, if necessary, to pay attorneys' fees on an hourly basis and the costs and expenses of prosecuting the remaining class claims against former EFCA. officers, directors and employees in MDL Docket No. 142. Any reserved funds not so utilized shall be distributed consistent with the Plan of Allocation. .

(vi) Subject to Court approval, portions of the proceeds of settlements may be distributed to persons and entities who are not members of the Certified Class or Sottlement Classes, to class members who have requested exclusion from the class to which they belong, and (in addition to their pro rate share of the proceeds of astilements) to class members who have not requested exclusion, an consideration for releases or other assurances which are required to be obtained in order to effectuate any of the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice.

(vii) Participation in the proceeds of the Subclass Five Settlement Fund will be limited to the members of Subclass Five who do not request exclusion from Subclass Five. Except as described below, such members of Subclass Five will share and share slike in the Subclass Five Settlement Fund based on their net adjusted losses, regardless of the type of securities upon which such class members' claims are founded and regardless of the date of acquisition of their securities purchased between March 15-27, 1978, inclusive. The claims of any member of Subclass Five who can trace its purchases to sales or to a block of sales of RIFCA securities in the period between March 15-27, 1973, inclusive, made on the open marbut by or on behalf of one or more of the trading defendants, singly or as part of a block sale, in which they acted for their own account or for others, may be calculated at 115% (instead of 100%) of its net adjusted losses with respect to such purchases, but in no event will any distribution be made to such class member in an amount greater than its net adjusted losses.

(viii) \$750,000 will be distributed out of the Accountants' Settlement Fund to certain of the Subclass Five Settling Defendantales consideration for their release of all EFCA-related claims against the Settling Accountant Defendants and all other Settling Defendants (except the Subclass Five Settling Defendants).

(ix) Those of the Subclass Five Settling members of the Certified Class or the Settlement Classes shall not be disqualified from participation in the proceeds of the settlements described in Part Two of this Notice by reason of the giving of the dismissals and releases described in sections M and P of this Notice.

52. The Pian of Allocation provides that the net adjusted losses of each class member will be reduced by all cash, if any, received by the class member from the Trustee pursuant to any agreement or compromise with the Trustee or pursuant to the Amended Plan of Reorganization. The Plan of Allocation further provides that the Court will be asked to decide at the April 29, 1977 Settlement Hearing or atsuch other bearing then set by the Court (i) the question whether shares of the common stock of Orion Capital Corporation, EFCA's successor, received by class members in connection with the EFCA reorganization. proceedings are to be taken into consideration as a "gain" in calculating the not losses sustained and, if so, what value shall be placed upon such theres and (ii) what value shall be placed upon any non-cash consideration given for EFCA secreties. The Plan of Allocation itself shall be submitted to the Court for approval at the April 29, 1977 Settlement Hearing following hearing on the proposed settlements.

53. If you are a class member who has not requested exclusion pursuant to paragraph 11 of this Notice you may appear personally or by counsel and be heard at the April 29, 1977 Settlement Hearing to determine the fairness and reasonableness of the proposed settlements and the Plan of Allocation and may object to or express your views regarding the proposed settlements or Plan of Allocation. However, you will not be heard nor be entitled in any way to contest the approval of the settlements or the Plan of Allocation suless on or before April 20, 1977, you file with the Clerk of this Court and serve your objections in writing, together with all papers to be submitted to the Court at the Settlement Hearing, upon representatives of plaintiffs' and defendants' counsel as follows: Marshall B. Grossman and Jack Corinblit, % Schwartz, Alschuler & Grossman and Corinblit & Shapero (representatives of plaintiffs' counsel), 1880 Century Park East, Suite 1212, Los Angeles, California 90067; and Mitchell, Silberberg & Knopp (representatives of defendants' counsel), 1800 Century Park East, Suite 700, Los Angeles, California 90067.

54. The proceeds of settlement described in this Notice may be reduced by allowances or reserves for counsel fees and costs and expenses (including the services of accountants and other experts) incorred and to be incurred in the prosecution of the litigation. All such applications for commel fees, costs and expenses will be heard. and determined on May 10, 1977 (the "Fee Hearing"), at 10:00 A.M. in Room 11 of the United States Court House, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California. No such applications have yet been filed. However, the Court has ordered that they he filed on or before March 1, 1977. All fee applications as well as all settlement agreements and the Plan of Allocation will be on file and available for inspection at the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012 and at designated locations on the West and Bast coasts. A. schedule of all fee applications and designated locations for the mapection of fee applications, settlement agreements and the Plan of Albention may be obtained without charge upon written request from the representatives of plaintiffs' counsel identified in paragraph 10 of this

55. If you are a class member you may appear personally or by mel at the May 10, 1977 Fee Hearing on applications for counsel fees and costs and expenses and may object to or express your views regarding any of such applications. However, you will not be heard nor entitled in any way to contest the approval of any of such applicanone unless on or before May 2, 1977, you file with the Clerk of the Court and serve your objections in writing, together with all papers to be submitted to the Court at the Fee Hearing, upon representatives of plaintiffs' counsel identified in paragraph 10 of this Notice.

56. Any hearing described in this Notice may be confirmed from time to time by the Court at the time of the hearing or at any continu hearing without any further notice other than that given in open court,

PART THREE: DIRMISSAL OF STATE COURT AUTIONS 57. There are presently pending in the Superior Court of the brought by cortain members of the plaintiff classes against many of the persons and entities named as defendants in MDL Docket No. 142 which are based on claims similar to those asserted by the plaintiff classes in MDL Docket No. 142. Those actions are the following:

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Anne Oringer v. Equity Funding Corporation of America, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court No. C 53705.

May Miller, et al. v. Wolfson, Weiner, Ralof of Lapin, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court No. C 33731.

Enluin Confine. et al. r. Wolfson, Weiner, Ratoff & Lapin, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court No. CA 000322

Stanley Sebba r. James H. Banks, et al., Los Angeles County Superior Court No. CA 000324.

58. In conjunction with the settlements described in Part Two of This Notice it is contemplated that each of the above-identified state court civil actions will be dismissed with prejudice as against each of the Settling Defendants.

59. No other notice will be given to the members of the plaintiff classes of the dismissal of the above-identified state court civil actions as against any of the Settling Defendants if the Court approves the settlements with such Settling Defendants.

PART, FOUR: DISMISSAL OF CERTAIN CLAIMS AND COM-PLAINTS IN BLOCK BANKRUPTCY PRO-

60. There is presently pending in the Court a bankruptcy proceeding entitled "In re Solomon Block, Bankrupt", No. 73-13117 (the "Block bankruptcy proceeding"). Solomon Block is one of the Settling Accountant Defendants identified in section A above. Certain members of the Certified Class have filed on behalf of themselves and others similarly situated proofs of claim and complaints in the Block banktuptcy proceeding to determine the non-dischargeability of debt arising out of defendant Block's alleged conduct in connection with EFCA.

61. In conjunction with the sattlement described in section A above it is contemplated that the above described claims and complaints will be dismissed with prejudice,

62. No other notice will be given to members of the plaintiff classes. of the dismissal of the above described complaint if the Court approves the settlement with the Settling Accountant Defendants described in section A above

PART FIVE: NOTICE TO BANKS, BROKERS AND OTHER HOMORES

63. Any bank, brokerage firm or other nominee which held securities of EFCA for the benefit of a member of the Cortified Class or the Settlement Classes is ordered promptly to transmit to each such bene-Scial owner of such accurities a copy of this Notice. Upon request by any such nominee, additional copies of this Notice may be obtained by addressing the Clerk of the Court at the address given below.

PART SIX: MARKER OF FERANGING COSTS OF LITTGATION

64. Equity Funding Life Insurance Company ("EFLIC"), a wholly owned subsidiary of EFCA, has been liquidated under the laws of the State of Illinois. People at rel. Robert Wilcox, Director of Insuronce of the State of Illinois c. Equity Funding Life Insurance Company. Circuit Court, DuPage County, Cast No. 47120. As part of the amended plan of liquidation of BFLIC, a settlement fund in the gross amount of \$2,000,000 (the "EFLIC Sottlement Fund") was established to pay court approved fees and costs incurred in the EFLIC liquidation proceedings and to pay approved past and future costs and expenses (but not attormeys' fees) incurred and to be incurred in the prosecution of the litigation on behalf of EFCA's defranded scourity holders. At such time as the settlement fund is no longer needed for that purpose, the balance of the settlement fund shall be distributed pursuant to claims procedures to be established by the Court. The Plan of Allocation described in section P of this Notice is intended to encompass the EFLIC Settlement Fund when the same is ready for distribution. The establishment of the EFLIC Settlement Fund was ultimately approved by the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois on September 19, 1975.

65. The net amount available from the EFLIC Settlement Fund for the purposes described in this Notice, after the deduction of fees and costs incurred in the EFLIC liquidation proceedings, and approved by the Illinois Court, was \$1,690,838.45. That amount was deposited, at interest, and thus far approved costs in the sum of \$45,572.07 have been paid from the EFLIC Settlement Fund for costs and expenses of the litigation. Pisintiffs' counsel estimate that an additional \$650,000 in costs and expenses (not including attorneys' fees) have been incurred thus far in the prosecution of the litigation. These costs and expenses include, principally, the taking of tens of thousands of pages of sworn. testimony from hundreds of witnesses throughout the United States.

PART SEVEN: PROOF OF CLAIM AND RELEASE

66. A class member who wishes to share in the proceeds of any favorable judgments or settlements, including the settlements described me Part Two of this Notice, must submit a Proof of Claim and Release form no lefer them April 29, 1977, whether or not such class member has filed and served any objections pursuant to paragraph 53 of this Notice. Any class member who fails to submit a valid and timely Proof of Claim and Release form as provided in this Notice will be burred from sharing in the distribution of the proceeds of any judgments or settlements and will be bound by any judgments entered by the Court. A Proof of Claim and Release form shall be deemed submitted when fully completed, postmarked, mailed postage prepaid, and addressed. in accordance with the instructions given in the Proof of Claim and Release form.

If you have received this Notice by mail, a proof of Claim and Release form should accompany it. If you are reading this notice in a newspaper, or if you did not receive a Proof of Claim and Release form in the mail, you may obtain one by mailing a written request for a Proof of Claim and Release form addressed to:

> Clerk, United States District Court for the Central District of California P. O. Box 76971 Los Angeles, California 90076.

In your written request you must include your name and your current

67. You may read or receive more than one copy of this Notice, Regardless of how many copies of this Notice you read or receive you are required to file only one proof of claim covering all of your losses.

IMPORTANT

68. This Notice is not all-inclusive. For the full details of the matters discussed in this Notice, including the agreements of settlement and the Plan of Allocation described in Part Two of this Notice, and for further information concerning MDL Docket No. 142, you may desire to refer to the pleadings and other papers filed in the litigation (In re-Equity Funding Corporation of America Securities Litigation, MDI. Docket No. 142-MML) and the EFCA reorganization proceedings (Is the Matter of Equity Funding Corporation of America, a Delaware Corporation, Debtor, No. 73-03467), all of which may be inspected at the Office of the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Central District of California, 312 North Spring Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, during the hours of each business day.

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> United States District Court Central District of California 2:0, Box 76971 Los Angeles, California 90076

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PASTORAL MEASURE 1968
The Church Commissioners have PREPARED a DRAFT PASTORAL SCHEME which includes provision for making a declaration of redundancy in respect of the parish church of the parish of East Ruston in the discase of Norwich. A copy of the draft scheme may be obtained from the Commissioners or may be inspected at the entrances to the churches of St. Mary. East Ruston: Sts. Poter & Faul. Honing: All Saint, Crossipht: Bl. Mary. East Ruston: Sts. Poter & Faul. Honing: All Saint, Crossipht: Bl. Mary. Statham. Any representations should be sent in writing to the Church Commissioners. I Milliant. St. P. J.Z. to reach them not later than 14 March, 1977.

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THE COMPANIES ACT, 1948 in the Matter of ADDISON (BROMLEY) Limited Nature of Business: Confec-

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Re: STOKE ROCHFORD FILLING STATION Limited (In Voluntary Liquidation) and the Companies Act. 1938 is hereby given that the CREDIORS of the above named Company are required on or before Friday, the 11th March. 1977. to cond their names and addresses and particulars of their Dobts or Claims to the understoned BERNARD PHILLIPS, F.C.A., at 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W.1 the LIQUIDATOR of the said Company and if so required to notice in writing from the said Liquidater are to come in and prove their said dobts or claims at such time or piace as single be specialed in such notice or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.

BERNARD PHILLIPS, Chartered Accountant.

Re: MOFOR STOP Limited the Voluntary Liquidation: and the Companies Act. 1948.
Notice 15 hereby given that the CREDITORS of the above named Company are required on or before Friday, the 11th March, 1977, to send their names and addresses and particulars of their Debts or Claims to the undersigned BERNARD PHILLIPS. F. C.A., at 76 New Cavendish Street, London, W. 1 the LIQUIDATOR of the said Company and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator are to come in and more their said debts or tailus at such time of place as shall be specified in such notice or in defauli thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such Debts are proved.

Dated this ord day of Fabruary.

BERNARD PHILLIPS. BERNARD PHILLIPS.
Chartered Accountant.

THE COMPANIES ACTS 1948 to 1967 RITZUREST Limited.
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 393 of the Companies ACT 1948, that a REELTING of the CREDITORS of the above-named Company will be held at the offices of Leonard Cartis & Company, 5-3 Bentinck Street, London WIA 584 on Thursday, the 22th day of February 1971, at 12 o'clock Midday for the purposes mentioned in sections 294 and 295 of the said ACT.

Detect this 7th day of February 1971, at 12 o'clock Midday for the purposes mentioned in Sections 294 and 295 of the Said ACT. By Order of the Board. CYRRL STONE,

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Engineering unions meet to settle joint pay deal strategy

By R. W. Shakespeare Leaders of Britain's engineer-

ing unions, who represent about 2.5 million workers, meet in York today to take the first steps towards framing a joint approach to pay problems. The union leaders, as mem-

bers of the national executive of the Confederation of Shipof the Confederation of Ship-building and Engineering Unions, are in a difficult situ-ation. Although the confedera-tion—representing 19 separate unions—is the central negoti-ating body, it has for the past two years found itself virtually impotent in negotiations on wages and conditions with the Engineering Employers' Federa-

The confederation's problems stem from the two-tier system of wage bargaining in the industry, under which minimum rates and conditions of employment are negotiated with the employers' federation-which represents some 5,000 companies—while pay rates are the subject of separate bargaining at company and plant level.

While the social contract and earlier pay ceilings have been in operation, the maximum per-mitted pay increases have generally been "mopped up" in local bargaining, leaving the national negotiators no scope in a new industry-wide deal. The result is that nationally agreed minimum wage rates in engineering now bear even less relationship to actual pay rates.

would normally expect to go to its annual conference in the early summer with some sort of national pay and conditions strategy ready to receive a manthe unions. However, it finds itself with

The confederation executive

a repetition of the problems that have beset it in previous years. It has no idea what final formula will emerge from the new round of Government-TUC talks, nor does it know what pay policies will be determined by its constituent unions.

One of the crucial factors is the shop floor opposition to strategy until the individual any new blanket wage strategy until the individual Holland immediately after the unions have worked out with and the growing discontent over their members the pay question.

the erosion of pay differentials and the anomalies between one factory and another.

While union leaders recognize these anomalies, and indeed have forcibly brought them to the notice of employers and the Government, many of them privately concede that there is no way in which the kind of free collective bargaining". that would be necessary to eradicate them can be allowed to operate.

the employers' federation—is a good example. Skilled rates vary by as much as £10 a week from one Leyland plant to another. commented: And the amount of "erosion" price code has of skill differentials over the enthusiastically received in past year or two can amount to some quarters. In other sectors, another £5 a week.

In free wage bargaining, this | would mean that some workers, seeking to eliminate anomalies differentials, and achieve a wage increase, would have to seek another 520 a week or 25 per cent on current

This is behind the opposition to further wage restraint, and the campaign for free collective bargaining

British Leyland has urged on the Government the need for substantial flexibility in future wages strategy to allow scope for eliminating some of the worst anomalies. Its main con-cern is to bring rates into line between plant and plant, rather than restore skill differentials within individual plants. Only when this can be done, it argues, will it be possible to carry out the long-overdue rationalization of wage structures and wage bargaining procedures. cedures.

Beside these problems, the question of whether it will be Scimitar and Kitten possible to secure a new national wages agreement appears to be secondary.

statement on free collective bargaining and try to delay any Show. firm decisions on its own wages The

By Our Commercial Editor Mr John Fraser, Minister of State for Prices and Consumer Protection, said yesterday that in the battle against inflation it was impossible to proceed without a prices policy that was -and was seen to be-effective. That was the main problem of the day, rather than shady traders or consumer worries.

Because the Government is expected shortly to announce o operate. Its plans for price restraint British Leyland—a member of policy after the present price he employers' federation—is a code encs on July 31, Mr Fraser was guarded in his references to the future. However, he commented: "The present price code has not always been it is believed that the provisions are not tough enough. We want to draw a balance between these positions."

After this clear reference to the respective bargaining posi-tions being adopted by the Confederation of British Indus-try and the TUC. Mr Fraser went on: "We are aware that a code can become more and more outdated and we will have that in mind in drawing up the next stage of prices policy."

Speaking in London to the American Chamber of Commerce be said it was sometimes argued that market forces ing prices as an imposed SVSTem.

The Government did, in fact, believe that competition could have an effect, which was why they had sought to make comperition as open and effective as possible.

Reliant unveils LHD

Reliant Motor Company launches its first major export The likelihood therefore is when left-hand drive versions that the confederation execu-tive will avoid any bald policy models make their Continental models make their Continental debut at the Amsterdam Motor The cars 20 on sale in

Prices policy FINANCIAL NEWS vital'

in combating inflation keep Concrete going in the latest term in the l

By Richard Allen Government cutbacks have

hit construction sub-contracting group Concrete, It saw pre-tax profits fall 14 per cent to 601,000 in the six months to

tributions from Dowsett Engineering and Construction, which was bought for £2.5m last November. After an interim payment of 3p gross the board intends to

pay total dividends of 5.32p for the full year representing the maximum increase. The new Dowsett subsidiary has apparently been insulated table profits fell from from the worst effects of the to £284,000 for the six

road-building moratorium compared with £662, thanks to a £10m contract for previous full year.

won just before the ment called a halt. The group, in con with Bryant Holdings, w

28 per cent of Conc September 30.

Even so, the group expects full-year figures to be just ahead of last year's £1.35m, largely as a result of first contributions from Douglat Emission. worsening, the board st further redundancies, i around 400 people, ha necessary, Second-half will suffer.

In the first half dropped 23 per cent to Turnover the year amounted to £32.5m. After tax of £288,000

compared with £662.00

Bett ready to go ahead

With record profits under its have a "further say belt for 1975-76, Dundee-based year".

Bert Brothers, a building and The board is confide

public works contractor, looks
set to do even better.
Mr. Albert A. Bett, chairman,
reports that, given the present
workload and the results
achieved so far the group should

Brit Sugar set to expand

Though the profits of the British Sugar Corporation nearly reached a record in 1975-76, they are still too small to pay for expansion. However, in his annual statement, Sir Gerald Thorley, chairman, says that the group had shown what it can do when capacity is one-third under used.

The board has arranged to borrow £15m of medium-term money on the commercial market, of which £5m had been drawn down at the end of the last accounting period, to en-able the group to proceed with expansion. The chairman hopes that the group will do better

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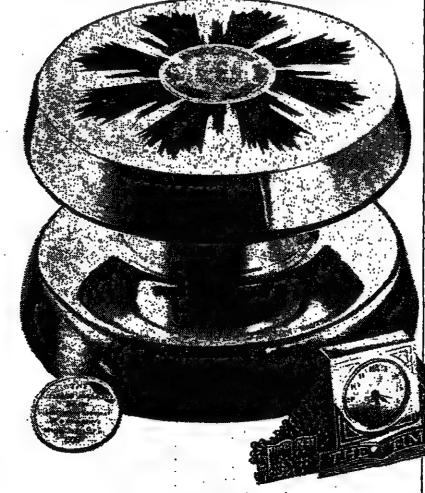
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The Times Awards Results 1976. Oil 3 for 10

The winning entries for the Times Awards were those advertisements which. in the opinion of the judges, would leave the reader with the impression that the company would be a good one to do business with, to work for, or in which to invest. The advertisements were judged in terms of good use of typography, design and copy to convey the relevant information.



Once again, our judges found it a very difficult task to choose the winners as the standard of the entries was even higher than lastyear All in all, they comprised a fascinating example of the professionalism that can be attained in this particular field of advertising.

We thank all those who took part in 1976, and we look forward to receiving a comparable number of entries, covering the the whole field of this specialised form of communication, during the coming year.

The Grand Prix.

The Times is pleased to announce that the winner of the 1976 Grand Prix is:-

Unilever Limited.

Agency: Charles Barker City Ltd.
Their entry was judged to be the advertisement that best conveyed, by way of typography, design and copy, information relevant to shareholders, professional advisers, prospective investors and all concerned in the company's well being; in short, an advertisement that would leave the reader with the impression that the company would be a good one to do business with, to work for, or in which to invest.

Category Winners.

Category (1a) (Colour or mono. Half page and above). 1st Prize: Metal Box Limited. Agency: Charles Barker City Ltd.

2nd Prize: C. E. Heath & Co. Limited. Agency: Walter Judd Ltd.
3rd Prize: United Biscuits (Holdings) Ltd.

Agency: Charles Barker City Ltd. Category (1b) (Colour or mono. Less than half a page). 1st Prize: A.A.H. Ltd.

Agency: Dewe Rogerson Ltd. 2nd Prize: Inchcape & Co. Limited.
Agency: Charles Barker City Ltd. 3rd Prize: J. E. Sanger Limited.

Agency: Dewe Rogerson Ltd. Category (2) (Interim or Preliminary Figures. All sizes Colour or mono).

Agency: Walter Judd Ltd.

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Agency: Butler, Dennis and Garland Ltd.

3rd Prize: Rolls Royce Motors Holdings Ltd. Agency: St. James Advertising & Publishing Co. Ltd.

Judges' Special Award.

The judges have made a special Award for the most novel, inventive and original entry to: B.O.C. International Ltd.

Agency: Rickey Tibble & Partners.

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have been weak on m's strike and at first hardly mean a good he financial year endnonth. But some say oup's streamlining, a in lager, and a small tes and spirits, mean s will be as good as unst £30.6m. Given trike will be settled, s can only help this fits and the "A" 64 p sell cheaply sector in p/e terms.

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came from Tube la-up 10p to 356p, and ir Braithwaite, where if 15p to 250p was v some encouraging Others to go uded GKN 4p to 310p. Wilcox 2p to 77p and ginecring where the an impressive 6p to

rs, the firm exception Rue where recent 'ped the shares to put 9p to 292p, after fore typical were bwer by 5p to 182p, ip to 213p. Another results was Imperial surrendered its ain to close at 74!p, Lodustries held

Though below their best, oil shares staged a late rally after the latest North Sea licensing awards. BP closed 4p better at 916p after touching a "low" for the day of 900p, while Tricentrol continued to benefit from comment with reserved. from comment with another gain, of 2p to 136p. Lasmo 4p to 312p was also in the ascendant, but Shell ended a couple of points lower at 510p, after 508p. Aniong the industrial leaders Glazo ended at a weak 435p, lower by 18p, Unilever lost 6p to 420p and Fisons dipped late, by 3n to 317p.

by 3p to 317p. There are rumours of growing institutional resentment over Moore Corporation's bid for the 48 per cent minority in Lamson Industries. Brokers have been receiving anxious calls from clients who believe Moore ought, at least, to offer the 100p it paid in its partial bid in 1973. Lamson held steady

at 80p.
After improving its terms for Milgo, Racal lost 5p to 268p in the electrical sector where Decca continued to be blighted by the profits warning with the "A" shares 7p lower at 243p. GEC, though, was in demand gaining 10p to 199p.

Rubbers commanded some interest with Guthrie 8p to the good at 173p and Consolidated Plantations 41p up at 802p. Cattles gained 31p to 381p after good news contained in the defence to Provident's unwel-

I. Barget proved to be a speculative favourite with a rise of 3p to 21p. Ready Mixed Concrete 2p to 89p and AA Asphalt 2p to 67p were two to make progress in the build-ing sector, but Turriff were not moved at 76p after news of the

Barbican settlement.
In stores, Marks & Spencer
99p and Gus "A" 194p and an
active stock, were firmer than
most, while Boots managed a penny gain to 136p.

In shippings, Furness Withy benefited from press comment with a gain of 2p to 233p with

P & O firm at 130p on its North

shaded to 34½p.
With the exception of Midland, down 3p to 260p, the
clearing banks were unchanged,
but HK & Shanghai gave up 7p
to 333p. Discounters were again
weak, but Gerrard & National
went the other way with a gain

of 3p to 138p.

After nearly three months of talks, agreement is in sight between Bishopsgate Property & General Investments and the 10-bank consortium providing a \$20m multi-currency loan for its Continental developments. A

Up from 132p to 142p in a fort-night (the 1976-77 high is 145p), Herbert Morris is starting to reflect hopes that the Monopo-lies Commission will let Babcock & Wilcox bid again. Last autumn, Babcock bid 120p, but the Monopolies reference caused it to lapse. Since then the stock market has risen strongly. Babcock is sitting on nearly 40 per cent of Morris's equity, and shareholders must hope that it will not be baulked unless a third party appears.

loan moratorium looks prob able. But more sales are needed before the shares, at 62p, are other than option money. Insurances succumbed, not-ably Royal 6p to 292p, but Provident Life "A" managed tuppenny rise to 110p. brokers reacted from their recent strength with losses of 4p from Matthews Wrightson 200p and Sedgwick Fotbes at

After figures. Trust Houses
Forte were lower by 3p to 126p,
but Concrete were 3p to the
good at 46p. Meat Trade Suppliers lost 5p to 77p after
Tuesday's lower divided and profits.

The TUC news led to general decline after hours. Equity turnover on February 8 was £77.23m (17,216 bargains). According to Exchange Tele-graph, active stocks yesterday were BP, Shell, ICI, P & O. Properties joined in the general downture, notably Great Portland 6p to 210p, Land Securities 3p to 159p and MEPC Thorn "A", BICC, De La Rue 2p to 70p. After an interim and Simon Engineering.

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last year of 5,000m lire. This was much better than the one of 119,000m lire in 1975, Signor Pietro Sette, the president, estimated.

Signor Sette cited the figures during Senate hearings on the finances of the major state concerns. He also said that investment last year rose to 1.100,000m lire from 936,000m lire the year before. But he pointed out that the higher investment swelled debts because fresh state capital was lacking. This year, Signor Sette added, ENI hopes to reach its

target for investments of up to 1,400,000m lire.—AP-Dow

Scoa aiming for

Australian group

A Scoa SA spokesman has confirmed reports that the grorup is negotiating for a majority stake in an Australian trading and retailing company. However, Scoa declined to name the company but con-firmed that it had annual sales

firmed that it had annual sales of about 150m francs (about £17m) and branches in Austra-lia, New Zealand New Caledonia, New Hebrides, New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. He said that negotiations should be completed by about

Scoa is a trading house operating principally in former French territories, notably Africa. It reported net consolidated profits of 104.3m francs (73.4m) on sales of 6.050m francs (5.030m) in the year to September 30 last.

One for ten scrip issue by Honda

Tokyo, Feb 9.—Honda Motor is to make a one-for-ten scrip issue to shareholders at end of this month. The group hopes to report after tax profits of 15,000m yen this year to February 28, on sales of 653,800m yen compared with 11,950m and 563,800m, respectively the year hefore. tively, the year before.

Four wheeled vehicle sales in the half-year ending this month are expected to reach 310,000 units from 281,000 in the first half, thanks to increased ports.-Reuter.

Cement-Roadstone in £18m development

Coment-Roadstone Holdings Ireland's biggest industrial group, is to spend nearly £18m on development in Ireland this

Mr Jim Culliron, chief executive said: "This major invest-ment is a clear vote of confidence by the group in the future of the Irish economy and will contribute significantly to the

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job security of its 6,000 emolovees.

He added: "Investment of this magnitude is only possible with increased profits and the necessary incentives such as those contained in the recent Budget, which should go a long way in providing the right sort of climate for investment activity by industry."

Ey far the largest item in the investment programme is the completion of the second stage of Cement Ltd's plant at Platin, co Meath, which will account for £12m of the total budget. Platin II is scheduled for completion large this war. piction late this year.

Computer boost to Fujitsu

Fujitsu forecasts a 27 per cent increase in after-tax profits for the year to March 31, from 6.690m to 8.500m yen. Sales of 329.000m yen were 14 per cent higher, the group said in Tokyo.

After-tax profit will include 2.500m yen of special revenues from sales of part of its holding in its subsidiary. Fujitsu Fanac. these shares had to be dispersed to the public for its listing in Tokyo last November.

Sales of electric apparatus have been increasing, as have those of electronic computers, especially mini-computers. Exports, chiefly of computers, are expected to more than double to between 38,000m and 39,000m ven from last year's 16,300m

Business appointments

Executive director for

Don Hayes becomes a director and general manager of Boscombe Engineering.

Mr John Mason is to give up his appointment as chief executive of Tennant Irading from April 1 but will remain chairman.

Mr Ronald Clarkson and Mr Ronald Fuller will be joint



appointed managing director of Redifon Telecommunications: Mr Don Hughes, National Giro's new director of Finance.

Fright Simulation.
Mr J. N. W. Dudley becomes a director of Cater Ryder on July 1.

After Ronksley, Capper-Neill buys up Glover

Having swallowed Ronksley Investments in November, Capper-Neill has gone on, as promised, to buy the Glover Group, in which Ronksley held 40 per cent. Capper-Neill, the Cheshire-based process plant group says that Glover's wire rope, lifting tackle and other interests will fit in well with its own. days. Meanwhile a question mark Meanwhile a question mark hangs over the fate of a 29.7 per cent stake in the group held by the receiver of House of Sears. The stake would provide a useful springboard for a hid, or could bring the purchaser on to the board. The total price for both Ronksley and Glover is about £1.35m. Of this £1.26m has been paid in cash and the rest in

German links for shares. Ronksley is an investment **Provincial Ins**

konksley is an investment holding company with net assets, excluding the Glover stake, of £133,000 at September 30, including quoted securities with a market value of £123,000. Provincial Insurance has entered into a business associa-tion with Deutscher Herold Allgemeine Versicherungs of The latest audited balance Bonn, a wholly-owned subsi-diary of Deutscher Herold Lebensversicherungs. sheet of Glover dated December 31 showed net assets of £905,000 attributable to shareholders. Profits for the year amounted to £323,000 before tax The directors of provincial and of Herold think that this association would be streng, thened if accompanied by a small reciprocal direct invest-

First payment from failed bank

and extraordinary items

its own.

Customers at Ladwoods, a local bank which collapsed 18 local bank which collapsed is months ago, are to get their first payment from the liquidators, 12 pence in the pound later this mouth. Unsecured creditors—mainly account holders—were told that civil action was being con-

sidered against the bank's founder, Mr John Ladell, a Portsmouth financier.

Liquidators told the creditors' annual meeting at Portsmouth that it was hoped further payments would be further payments would be made. But unsecured creditors are claiming about £250.000 against assets of some £30,000.

J. Stephen delayed

The board of John Stephen of London, the fashion group, says that the preliminary statement for the year to August 31, due yesterday, has been delayed. Some points of audit have to be

Cattle's reply to Provident good for shares

Mr Roy Waudby, chairmen of Cartle's Holdings, has already said that Provident Pinancial Group's offer is a non-starter. The official defence contains a forecast of a 25 per cent dividend, equal to 3.85p gross against 1.44p, and it has Treasury approval.

Indeed, this payment and bumper results for the nine months to December 31, pushed the shares up 31p to 381p, com-

pared with Provident's cash offer of 32p.

Turnover in the nine months cose from £18.6p to £22.6m. Pretax profits went up 37 per cent to £1.03m(nearly 8 per cent up on the record £975,000 for the whole of 1975-76.

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The chairman says that the figures, the board's confidence, and small borrowings justify the bigger dividend. An annual rate of 25 per cent is "not out of line" with what the board would have proposed but for dividend restraint. Neither he nor his colleagues

will be accepting the bid for the 15 per cent held by them. Provident's offer vales Cartle's at about £4,98m. It already has nearly 26 per cent

SGB seeks to diversify

With margins under pressure in the year to September 25, when pre-tax profits dropped from £5.9m to £5.7m, SGB Group is seeking to diversify this year. The emphasis will be on work for industries and activities other than new construction, says Sir Edgar Beck, chairman, in his annual review.

Overseas earnings are expected to benefit from expansion in the Middle East, both from direct exports from Britain and the overseas companies. Last year, overseas turnover con-tinued to grow both in absolute terms and as a proportion of group business. On last year's outcome for

the home sector, the chairman says that those of Scaffolding (Great Britain) "exceeded expectations". Oil-related work proved a growth area.

Ransome, Hoffmann board

Mr W. H. Holmes has been appointed an executive director of Ransome Hoffmann Pollard.

Mr Joseph Godber, MP, has been made a non-executive director of British Home Stores.

Mr Don Hughes becomes National Giro's director of finance from April 1.

Air A. B. Faulds has joined the board of Pye of Cambridge.

Mr P. N. M. Rudder has become deputy chairman of Advance Laundries.

Mr Cyrll Coffin is to be the next director-general of the Food Manufacturers Federation, succeeding Mr F. J. Lawton in April. Mr H. C. Hobbouse, former thairman of both Courage (Western) and Courage (Central), has given up the second post and in succeeding the W. Mr M.

has given up the second post and is succeeded by Mr C. J. M. Downes. Mr P. L. Curnock has Downes. Mr P. L. Curnock has given up the chairmanship of Anchor Hotels and Taverns and been made a director of Courage and chairmen of Courage (Eastern). Mr G. Tartersall-Walker becomes chairman of Anchor Hotels and Taverns. Mr Peter Dyer has been made a director and genseal manager.

a director and general manager of Firth Cleveland Fans. Mr Don Hayes becomes a director and



manazing directors. Mr John Cunningham and Mr David Cralk have been made directors. Ir Robert Harlan has been appointed manazing director of Data-products Corporation's European manufacturing facility. Mr Dominic Murphy has been made manazing director of Hammond Holdings.

Mr W. J. R. Govett has joined the board of Scottish Eastern Investment Trust.

Mr W. S. Robertson has been made manazing director of Redifon Telecommunications and also becomes chalrman of Redifon Flight Simulation.

These include agreement of the final provision for tax. The board expects these matters to be dealt with in the next few

ment in each other's equity This is to be achieved by Previncial offering to issue 182,000 new A" ordinary shares to Herold and in cou-

sideration receiving 250 shares of Herold. Provincial "A" holders may sell their shares to The arrangements will give rovincial a 5 per cent interest in the equity of Herold Allgemeine, and will give that company a holding of 400,000 "A" ordinary in Provincial.

Redfearn borrows £2m from FCI

Finance Corporation for Industry is lending £2m to Red-fearn National Glass for around nine years. This was revealed ar yesterday's annual meeting of Redfearn, by Mr Stanley Race,

The group will probably not need the money this year, but it will be available to support Redfearn's condinuing programme of capital expenditure stream last December.

Mr William Capper, chairman of Capper-Neill.

from 1977-78 onward. The group's big furnace rebuilding programme is going well, but it interferes with output. But demand remains good and the board looks forward to full use of the new capacity in the second half of this year.

Int Energy Bank in 90 pc leap

Last year, the International Energy Bank's third in business pre-tax profits jumped 90 per cent to £1.85m. Assets totalled £125m, compared with £83m a year earlier.
I.E.B. managed, or participated in, loans to the energy

(petroleum, nuclear power, mining and transportation) secmining and (ransportation) sec-tors of 15 countries.

In particular, the bank con-cluded in February, 1976, the structuring and syndication of two further North Sea finan-cings, totalling \$275m, to help develop the Claymore field.

This closely followed its finan-cings for the neighbouring

I.E.B. is a British bank formed and wholly owned by a banking consortium, in-cluding Bank of Scotland and Barclays Bank International.

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Turriff settles over Barbican

Though it withdrew from the disastrous Barbican contract in 1971, Turriff Corporation has only now settled with the Corporation of London on all litigation started by Turriff's in-volvement in Phase II of the

redevelopment.
In a letter to shareholders, the board says that the deal with the Corporation coincides with the completion of the settlement of the Sudan project: The net impact on cash resources is nil.

Some old outstanding bal-ances will be cleared in the group's 1976 accounts, and the amount to be written off after tax as extraordinary items will be between 100,000 to £200,000. At one time it was thought that Turriff's potential liability could be as high as £7m, although Turriff was claiming a similar amount from the City

Corporation.
Under the Sudan settlement Turriff received £3.3m payable over three years starting in 1973.

Westminster & Country again in the black On a turnover up from £1.12m to £1.41m in the six

months to October 31, last, Westminster and Country Pro-perties made a profit of £35,000, against a loss of £110,000 last time. There was no tax, compared with a credit of £70,000. There are signs that market conditions are improving, but the board thinks that it would be premature to forecast the year's results. There is no interim payment. Shareholders cings for the neighbouring Piper field which came on have not received a dividend for the past two financial years.

pre-tax profits of £946,000 in 1973-74, but it slumped into losses of £1.54m the following year. However, these fell to £267,000 in 1975-76.

Crosby House slide into losses

Up went the turnover of the Crosby House Group from £2.47m to £3.19m in the first half of 1976, and down and out went pre-tax profits of £113,000. Instead there was a pre-tax loss

of £14,000. The board explains that, as it forecast in the last report, the year started badly in freight forwarding and warehousing. It is now doubtful whether any significant progress will be made in the second half year. Crosby's other activities, howver, continue to develop. Pre-£372,000 in 1975:

Capitol-EMI up 80 pc but outlook chilly

Despite lower profit margins in the second quarter, Capitol Industries-EMI reports a 45 per cent rise in sales to \$112.2m and an 80 per cent leap in profits to \$6m for the half year. The third quarter has suffered "widespread dislocu-tion" hecause of the unprecedented winter conditions which have affected the group's manufacturing, distribution and

sales.
The second quarter shows a rise in sales from \$43.8m to \$61.2m while profits are up from \$2.8m to \$2.83m.

Poseidon tender

The receiver/manager for faded mining star Poseidon, Mr Noel Buckley, has invited teuders in Australia for Poseidon's 50 per cent stake in the Windarra nickel operation. Western Australia, as a going concern. Western Mining Cor-poration holds the other half-share in the mine.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

Ente Nazionale per l'Energia Elettrica-ENEL

71/2 Per Cent. 15-Year Guaranteed Bonds of 1970 Due March 1, 1985

Notice Is Hereby Given, on behalf of Ente Nazionale per l'Energia Elettrica-ENEL, that on March 1, 1977, \$3,500,000 principal amount of its 7'-: Per Cent, 15-Year Guaranteed Bonds of 1970 will be redeemed out of moneys to be paid by it to Dillon, Read & Co., as Principal Paying Agent, pursuant to the mandatory, amount redemption requirement of said Bonds and to the related Authenticating Agency Agreement and Paying Agency Agreement, each dated as of March 1, 1970. The Chose Manhattan Bank (National Association), as Authenticating Agent, has selected, by lot, for such redemption the Bonds bearing the following serial numbers:

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Bonds so selected for redemption will become and be due and payable in United States dollars on March 1, 1977, at the office of Dillon. Read & Co., 48 Wall Street, New York, New York 10005, at one hundred per cent (1007) of the principal amount thereof with interest accrued thereon to the redemption date. Bonds should be presented for redemption together with all appartenant components maturing subsequent to the redemption date. If moneys for the redemption of all the Bonds to be redeemed are available at the office

of Dillon. Read & Co. on the redemption date, interest thereon will cease to accrue from and after such date. At the option of the respective holders of bearer Bonds selected for redemption, the principal amount thereof and interest thereon may be collected upon presentation at the offices of the following Co-Paying Agents: in Luxembourg-Ville, Grand Duché of Luxembourg at the principal office of Banque de Payis et des Pays-Bas pour le Grand Duché de Luxembourg S.A., or in Milan, Italy at the principal branch of Banca Commerciale Italiana S.p.A., or in London, United Kingdom at the principal office of S.G. Warburg & Co. Limited, or in Frankfurt. a/M. Federal Republic of Germany at the principal office of Deutsche Bank A.G. Additionally, insurance companies doing business in the Republic of Italy may present for redemption Bonds registered as to principal, which they own, at the principal branch

Dated: January 27, 1977

of the Co-Paying Agent in Milan, Italy.

DILLON, READ & CO. Principal Paying Agent

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Briefly

BAKER PERKINS HLDGS

Concerning Baker Perkins' offer for the minority shares in Baker Perkins Inc, the board of Baker Perkins Inc has now approved the cash merger proposal and the con-sent of the UK authorities has been received.

WILLIAMS HUDSON Paul E. Schweder, Miller has bought 10,000 shares in Williams Hudson Group at 241p for Argo Group SA.

BELLAMBI COAL

A more than five-fold increase in attributable profits—up from A\$426,000 to A\$2.33m—has been reported for the first half year to December 31 by Bellambi Coal, one of the Australian subsidiaries of Consolidated Gold Fields. Raw coal production almost doubled. Interim dividend 30 cents (10 cents)

BEAVER GROUT

Hedderwick Stirling Grumbar hought for a director of Beaver Group, 12,500 ord in Beaver at 49p each on Feb 4 and 5,000 shares at 48p each on Feb 7. On Feb 4, McAnally, Montgomery bought 6,500 ord in Beaver at 47p each for associates of CH Industrials.

C. T. BOWRING

Arrangements completed for C. T. Bowring (Insurance) Holdings to buy 20 per cent interest in Victor O. Schinnerer Inc for cash. Schinnerer a subsidiary of Marsh and McLendan. HAY AND ROBERTSON

Turnover for half-year to Nov-ember 31, £352,000. Profit (after all charges) £14,000. Board expects similar performance in second half-year. GOVETT EUROPEAN TRUST

Income for half-year to December 31, £311,000 (£321,000). Net asset value a 25p share at December 31, 89p (84.9p), including investment currency premium. CITY OF LONDON BREWERY

Pre-tax revenue of City of Lonre-tax revenue or City of London Brewery and Investment Trust rose from £996,000 to £1.08m. in half-year to December 31. Net asset values of deferred stock units were \$3.2p and \$5.7p at December 31 and June 30 last.

ELLIS (RICHMOND)

Turnover for half-year to September 30 up from 53.12m to 54.05m, but pre-tax profits down from £41,000 to £36,000.

DRAYTON COMMERCIAL

In 1976, revenue (after all charges) of Drayton Commercial Investment rose from £996,000 to £1.06m. Gross payment up from 5.69p to 6.16p. LDN BRICK-CROYDEX

London Brick's offer for Croydex has been accepted in respect of 92.73 per cent of shares. London tow controls 93.3 per cent of total capital. Balance will be acquired compulsorily.

Norcros in Singapore venture

A joint venture company, Norvale Pte Ltd, has been formed in Singapore by Norcros and Torvele Holdings for the local production of "Wood-cemair" slabs to penetrate the market in South East Asia, for roofing, decking, walling and partitioning and particularly for the urgent need of low-cost housing.

.The new company will have \$2m (Singapore) issued share capital with Norcros owning 63 per cent and Torvale 37 per cent. A five acre site at Jurong has been acquired and construction of a factory and office building is in hand.

Torvale are world leaders in the technology of "Wood-cemair" and "Thermacoust" slabs and highly mechanized plant, based upon their experience, will be shipped out to Singapore in March.

Euro Investment Bk

Loans granted by European Investment Bank in 1976 totalled 1,273,000m units of account—one UA equals about \$11.3—up 19.4 per cent In its annual report on activities in the community, the Commission noted that the bulk of the lending of the EC's long-term financing institution went to Britain and Italy.

Of the total lending, 1,086m UA or 85.3 per cent were loans extended to the members of the EC, 142.4m UA or 11.2 per cent provided as finance to third countries associated with the EC, and 44.9m or 3.5 per cent were special operations by the bank.—AP-DJ.

Bank Base

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Tin prices rally after early losses

With the market highly nervous after recent buying from one quarter, tin prices lost further ground in the morning on the London Metal Exchange yesterday. At the afternoon close, however, standard cash was £10 up on the day. Three months had lost £1. Trade quarters estimate that recent buying could have amounted to something approaching the 4,325 tonnes held in LME warehouses at the end of last

warehouses at the end of last week.

Coffee futures advanced strongly on local dealer, commission house and trade buying. At the afternoon close March had advanced f75 and May was £77.50 up. Both prices were new highs. There was still nervousness about the Dutch dock strike.

Stoploss selling and commission house liquidation were features of a decline in cocoa prices, but support buying and speculative and jobber shortcovering brought prices up from the lows. At the afternoon close March had gained \$30.50 on the day and May was £55 up. The market is seen as remaining fundamentally sound.

COPPER was very steady.—Afternoon.—Cash wire bars. £838.50.900 a metric ten; these months. £868.50.60.00. Sales. 5,175 tons. Cash cathodos. £223.629.75 tons. Cash wire bars. £838.50.900 a metric ten; these months. £862.50.50.00. Sales. 475 tons (mainly carries). Morning.—Cash wire bars. £852.60.50.00. Settlement. £832.50. Sales. \$255 tons. Sales. \$25

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Commodities

Exchange The mark and yen moved higher in Europe in a sudden bost of speculative trading on the foreign prices: daily 180.31c; 15-day average, 169.78c; 22-day average, 168.69c (US cents per la).

SUGAR (nurse were steady. The London daily price of "Fave" was used to be a compared at \$143.—March, \$128.25-to, 20.25-to, 2 exchanges following a United States economist's suggestion that a rise in both currencies could help the global economic recovery. Sterling closed at the day's "high" in London at \$1.7175, with a net 15 point rise on the day.

Foreign

Traders in the pound largely ignored the divisions emerging among British trade unions to a further extension this year of the pay restraint programme, a key point in the Government's antiinflation programme.

The Bank of England was absorbing foreign enchange for its reserves through market intervention in later dealings. tion in later dealings.

But the discount on forward sterling, where corporations are tending to hedge their positions against a sterling depreciation later this year, edged higher over the session, dealers said.

The pound's effective rate was unchanged at 42.8 per cent.

Gold rose \$2.25 an ounce to close at \$136.125.

Spot Position of Sterling

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The credit screw tightened a little more in Lombard Street pesterday but houses, having under borrowed on Tuesday and, in some cases, being forced into the interbank market at rates of up to 25 per cent, were very careful not 25 per cent, were very careful not to make the same mistake again. They again turned to the Bank of England for an exceptionally large sam, which was lent overnight at MIR (12 per cent). Ten or 11 houses participated. In addition, the authorities bought a very large amount of bills, comprising large Treasury bill purchases from the banks and houses, and a small number of

chases from the banks and houses, and a small number of "eligibles" from the houses. The help was thought to have been very considerably overdone, leaving banks with sizable balances to carry forward to today. Rates confirmed this, falling away to between 6 and 10 per cent for final balances, compared with the 12 per cent that had ruled for the earlier part of the day. The only factors in the marker's favour were a modest excess of Government disbursements over revenue transfers to the Exchequer, and a fall in the note circulation.

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The Dow Jones industrial average was down 8.40 points to 933.84. Declining issues heavily outnumbered gainers by about 1,035 to 400. to 400.
Volume totalled 23.64 million, down from 24.04 million on Tuesday.
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ally was disturbed by the retreat in General Motors and the other two big auto makers.

Analysts cited a combination of factors as weighing on GM. They said selling GM, as well as Chrysler and Ford, reflected concern that President Carter's warning on Tuesday that his energy message will involve sacrifices, might mean measures to cut down auto use.—AP-Dow Jones.

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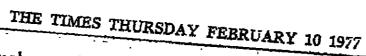
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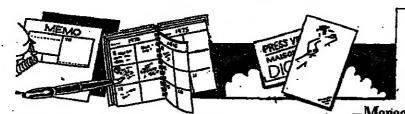
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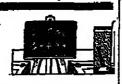
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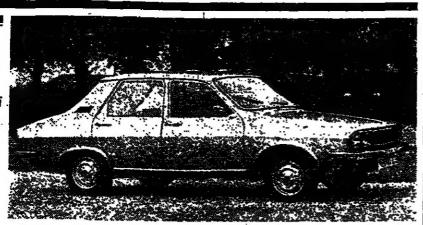
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Volkswagen Polo sets new or quietness in a small car, Road test: Renault 12TL are bound to look to their s. As explained last week,

are models that defy the



The Renault 12TL-a roomy and economical family saloon.

The Simca and Renault continue to is good pulling power in top gear. The sell as cheap, practical, basic transport. The Simca's sales have been falling and once the Chrysler 424 hatchback is available it may be discontinued. The sound more relaxed and there is a replaced in less than and what are generally, ten inaccurately, called facemuch more frequent. There

The Citroën, again, is a cheap and dable obstacles, apart from practical car, and its excellent fuel he way of a long run. Styles economy has given it a new lease of lout of fashion and what life since the fuel crisis. For those who and original can date very can put up with the noise and below-average performance, it still has much to offer.

changing and, wharever the Beetle is fast nearing the end of its say, cars are getting better. distinguished career, although in the In Europe and the United States the the important areas, safety, underdeveloped world, where the d noise, the average popular demand is for rugged, uncomplicated try superior to its countervears ago.

The area of the average popular demand is for rugged, uncomplicated transport, it may go on for many years. Even in Britain there are many who continue to swear by the Beetle's almost legendary reliability and prefer it to more modern designs.

The 12 is the odd car out in the was planned on the basis Renault range, the only one without the at least as good as any a door at the back. Every new model the cars already in the field. The cars already in the field these days seems to be a hatchback to in that sense the 12 is unfashionable but it has been a big seller since its introduction nearly eight years ago and out it has been a big seller since its introduction nearly eight years ago and it continues to endorse Renault's judgment that there is still a place for the orthodox saloon. Even the appearance of a new Renault, the five-door 14, in the same part of the market, is unlikely to threaten the 12 which will eventually be replaced by a similar the Cavalier, a Vauxhell edition eventually be replaced by a similar type of car.

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In styling the 12 is a reminder that the second most popular imported car last year and since then it has nudged wedge shapes did not begin with the second most popular imported car last year and since then it has nudged wedge shapes did not begin with the car last year and since then it has nudged into the list of top 10 best-sellers. Brought in to fill the gap in Vauxhall's range between the Viva and the Victor, fuel consumption, and with a potential the Cavalier has been so successful the car last 35 miles to the gallon the 12 is one of the best in its class. The drawback is not being able to see the rear of the car when reversing, and the 1975; how about a lada in 1977?

The stape wedge shapes did not begin with the list of top 10 best-sellers. Brought in to fill the gap in Vauxhall's range between the Viva and the Victor, fuel consumption, and with a potential the Cavalier has been so successful that it is likely to be assembled in Britain, like the Chrysler Alpine.

Today comes the announcement of an extension of the Cavalier range with a 1300 model to supplement the fact, than the Cortina. fact, than the Cortina.

of cars on sale in also a surprising number and provided plastic bumpers so that the driver can feel his way into tight so flongevity they yield models still in production.

Volkswagen Beetle and CCV (both going back to of room incide and car means plenty are less that the unit to the car means plenty acceleration time and there is a Vauxhall unit used in the Viva and Chevette Thick rear pillars do not help and it is a pity that Renault has not fol-

models still in production. Volkswagen Beetle and 2CV (both going back to swith a long history are claim to be a five-seater is not an Midget (1961) and the car is a little high on MGB and Triumph Soit. The road and for that reason, perhaps, The first Cortina also susceptible to strong cross-winds. The first Cortina also to that 11 cubic feet of load space with their excellent handling and study construction. To begin with, the ittle more than the name and compares favourably with most 1300 will be sold only on the Continent, principally in Benelux. Vanyables

rivals. and Triumph sports cars ecial category, since their as well to the front-wheel drive which centrated on one main United States. I suspect Unlike many competitors, the 12 has cisely because they look only one engine option and a fairly Right-hand drive versions and old-fashioned that small one at that, the 1289cc 54bhp Cavalier 1300 will not be avaivell there. If the Americanic That does not mean that the car Britain until early next year. buying them they would is underpowered; on the contrary, a no other marker is big 0-to-60mph acceleration in 15 seconds stify their production is distinctly above average and there

and rattles.
On handling, the 12 is untypical of On handling, the 12 is untypical of the Renault range, with a generally tauter feel and less body roll on corners. Fast cornering will set up understeer, which is not difficult to correct, while roadholding, wet or dry, is excellent. The general page is on the is excellent. The gearchange is on the springy side but not unpleasant once you get used to it, and the steering is admirably light.

The tauter handling means that the

ride is not quite as good as on some other Renault models, although there is little harshness or pitching and the bumps are absorbed reasonably well. The seats are wide and give good support, and the front ones are fully reclining. A small complaint is the high setting of the brake and clutch pedals.

Ar £2,334, the TL, which is one model up from the basic, is keenly priced, though cloth upholstery and seat belts are extras. The 12 may be a conventional car by Renault stan-dards but like all Renaults it is practical and enjoyable to drive, and for space, comfort, economy and perform-ance is still a serious competitor in its

The Cavalier, a Vauxhall edition of the German Opel Ascona/Manta, was the second most popular imported car

existing 1.6 and 1.9. The engine is the 1256cc Vauxhall unit used in the Viva

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husband of Dorothy and father
of David Suzanne, Andrew and
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REYNOLDS.—On February 8th, peacofully, in hospital, at Home thempatend. Brigadier Rounid Hogh Revnotes. O.B.E., lair Royal Enspireers, beloved husband of Elleen and father of Hugh and Anthony. Cremation at West Herts Crematorium, Gorston, Watford, on February 8th, suddenly at St. Olave's Hospital, Gerald Vivian, aged 58, of Dome Hill. Caterham, Surrey, Husband of Barbara and Infiner of February 14th, Caterham, Surrey, Husband of Barbara and Infiner of February 14th, at 3.30 p.m., No Dowers by Feguest.

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segmentary (7).

5 Verses which with Schubert's overture could become a classic (7).

9 Henry in addition supplies material (5).

10 Dress one needed for this play? (9).

11 Son of Amoz is father of Rizpah (6).

12 Nearly fell—must be soundly conducted (8).

14 Picked for major part in Greek tragedy (5).

15 Cobblers hammer on last, including quiet ones (9).

18 Existential Mode (4-5).

20 First heavenly sign confounded these gods (5).

21 Oblique path of a villain in the back-land (8).

22 Firting passime for returning soldier in the Amity story perhaps (6).

23 Nearly fellow seen at the Yankee Stadium (9).

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story perhaps (6). 26 Noted Chartist ? (3-6).

27 Her literary correspondent was Yorick (5).
28 Running hound (7).
29 Of the front, rather than of the back, bone (7).

1 Friend grabs 'eavy-armed Greek soldier at the back of the knee (9). of me smee (9).
2 I'd say 2 synonym (7).
3 Medicine bottle upset after eastern nightmare (9). 4 Costume an Egyptian court attendant runs up (4). 5 With whom a poet associ-ated Davidson (10).

6 Is this school for witches?

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